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Yellowhawk Resort and Sparkling House Announces 2022 Spring Release Wines

Traditional method sparkling Rosé Malbec and Chardonnay bring a bubbly welcome to summertime

Walla Walla, WA – May 13, 2022 – Two new releases have joined the collection of sparkling wines from Yellowhawk Resort and Sparkling House. The new Sparkling Rosé Malbec and Sparkling Chardonnay are the winery's first traditional method releases made by winemaker George-Anne Robertson. Unique in style and flavor, both are low in alcohol and showcase Robertson's style of creating pretty and elegant wines.

The new Sparkling Rosé Malbec and Sparkling Chardonnay are sourced from the Gamache vineyard in the eastern part of the Columbia Valley AVA. The vineyard is a beautiful higher elevation site known for cooler nighttime temperatures known to retain acidity and develop flavors of lemon curd in the chardonnay and notes of cranberry and rhubarb in the malbec. Gamache Vineyard manager Lacey Lybeck and winemaker George-Anne Robertson coordinated an early season and very early morning pick to compose a bright flavorful base wine. Both were fermented in stainless steel in cooler temperatures using the Liqueur de Tirage preparation to create bubbles in the bottle and enhance the flavors.

Yellowhawk Resort and Sparkling House is the first dedicated sparkling winery in Walla Walla and provides something unique for locals and visitors, with a winery and tasting room, lodging, pool cabanas and event spaces. Yellowhawk sparkling wines have received several awards and accolades, including Best in Class and two silver awards from 2022 [Savor Northwest Wine Awards](#) blind tasting competition and silver medals in the [Cascadia Wine Competition](#). The first four releases include a 2019 sparkling Sémillon from the Double River estate vineyard, and three varieties of Yellowhawk Bubbles in white, rosé and red which are perfect for everyday celebrations.

Yellowhawk Sparkling House Spring 2022 Releases

Both wines are currently available exclusively in the Yellowhawk Resort tasting room as part of a special three-pack purchase with the 2019 Sparkling Sémillon for \$150. Members of the

[Revelers Club](#) program receive discounts and reward dollars when purchasing Yellowhawk wines.

Yellowhawk Sparkling Rosé Malbec

- Stainless steel fermentation
- Seven months on the lees
- Gamache Vineyard Columbia Valley AVA
- Brut Natural dosage
- Alcohol 10.5%
- Case Production 1400

“This wine is the perfect welcome to summer with low alcohol content and aromas of strawberry shortcake. Your palette will get a kick out of this mouthful of rounded bubbles with flavors of fresh berries and flaky fruity hand pies with a hint of vanilla cream on the finish,” says winemaker George-Anne Robertson.

Yellowhawk Sparkling Chardonnay

- Stainless steel fermentation
- Seven months on the lees
- Gamache Vineyard Columbia Valley AVA
- 5g/L dosage
- Alcohol 10%
- Case Production 740

“The Sparkling Chardonnay is youthful and energetic as it greets you with an aroma of lemon olive oil cake batter. Traditional chardonnay flavors like earthy mushroom and dust flavors arrive on the mid palette and then finish with a taste of tart crab apple jelly,” says Robertson.

About Yellowhawk Resort

[Yellowhawk Resort](#) is an 84-acre hillside retreat on Walla Walla’s south side. The resort features a sparkling winery and tasting room with farm-to-table dining, swimming pool and cabanas, lodging and event space for weddings, reunions, and corporate retreats. As you enter the gate and wind up the hill to the estate house, the elevated setting provides a sweeping outlook on the fields of wheat, lush vineyards, and Blue Mountains. The property was purchased in December 2020 by Pacific Northwest hospitality leaders Dan Thiessen, Chad Mackay, Scott Clark, Philip Christofides, Paul Mackay and Jeff Davis and is part of the Revelers Club loyalty program. The sparkling wine program is led by winemaker George-Anne Robertson.

Winemaker George-Anne Robertson is the former estate director of Walla Walla Vintners and a graduate of the Institute for Enology and Viticulture at Walla Walla Community College. She had planned to move to Japan and become the sparkling winemaker for Fuji-San when the Covid pandemic began. While she was contemplating whether she would be able eventually

make that move, the new ownership team at Yellowhawk made the decision to become a sparkling house. This moment of serendipity led to George-Anne knowing that she had found the perfect opportunity to create something special with a variety of sparkling wines.

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