



2012 K The Klein Blend

Oh God! First words from my mouth and F**K Yeah! Rich, dense, chewy, immeasurably complex. Crushed rock, earthy, graphite, dry herb. I still can't believe it. Amazing!

Blend

41% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon,
29% Cabernet Franc

Appellation

Walla Walla Valley

production

1.4 Tons Per Acre
100% Whole Berry
Yeast: Native
Co-fermented
33 Days on Skins
80% New Oak
22 Months Barrique Aged on Lees

Wine Analysis

.51 g/100ml Total Acidity
3.89 pH
15.5% Alcohol

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Current & Past Scores

96 Points, Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

"A blend of 41% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon and 29% Cabernet Franc, the 2012 Klein has fabulous Cabernet notes of currants, ground herbs, crushed rocks and graphite to go with a deep, full-bodied, layered, concentrated style on the palate. There's an upfront feel here due to the wealth of fruit, but it has ample tannic grip through the mid-palate and finish. Give it a few years, it will knock your socks off for a least the following 10-15 years."

92 Points, Wine Spectator

"Powerful, ripe and focused, with a dense mouthful of blueberry, plum and licorice flavors playing against firm tannins that wrap around the extended finish. This has presence and a sense of tension. Best from 2018 through 2022."

Vineyards

The vineyards we work with are farmed using the most up to date sustainable practices.

Klein: This vineyard is located at the Southwestern end of the Walla Walla Valley. Its volcanic rock, with thin, wind-blown loess over basalt. The high elevation, 850 feet, means it doesn't freeze and is a fairly windy site. This vineyard produces low yields and powerful, unique wines.

Vintage

Washington's vintners were overjoyed at what they tasted after a growing season that tracked very much like 2008, one of the best vintages in memory. Depths of color and flavor in an abundant crop that retained its desired acidity seems to have put a smile on most winemakers' faces. Following several cooler vintages, 2012 allowed the vines to ripen normally. The waves of fruit came in smoothly. Fruit could hang longer without worrying about getting too ripe. The steady ripening also allowed for beautiful structure and elegance.

