



2015 WINES OF SUBSTANCE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Rich, dark, unctuous, brooding and deep. Delicious, complex and compelling. Smooth, long and amazing. A wine of true substance.

BLEND

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

APPELLATION

Columbia Valley

PRODUCTION

Yield: 5.2 tons per acre
Yeast: Native
100% Whole Berry Fermentation
35 Days Extended Maceration
50% New Oak
12 Months Barrel-Aged on Lees
Unfiltered and Unfined

WINE ANALYSIS

5.2 g/L Titratable Acidity
3.95 pH
14.5% Alcohol

UPC

184745003004

CURRENT & PAST SCORES

89-91 Points, *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate*

"A wine that sees a native fermentation . . . the value-priced 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon over-delivers with its deep purple color, terrific bouquet of violets, black currants and wild herbs; it is full-bodied, supple and downright sexy style on the palate. It's a no-brainer purchase."

91 Points, *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate (v2014)*

"The straight 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon is outstanding. Made from 100% Cabernet Sauvignon, native fermented, aged in French oak and bottled unfiltered and unfiltered, it's a killer value that has lots of blue fruits, violets, graphite and leafy herbs in medium to full-bodied, concentrated, layered style. Savvy readers should buy a case of this and drink bottles over the coming 4-5 years, although I see no reason that it won't keep longer either."

VINEYARD

Goose Ridge: With a first harvest in 1999, Goose Ridge's 2,200 acre vineyard receives less than 8 inches of rainfall annually. It is a gently sloped, south-facing site adjacent to Red Mountain. Long, warm summer days and cool nights produce grapes noted for their ripe, rich character.

Frenchman Hills: Planted in 1998 and is about a 30-minute drive north of the Wahluke Slope, which is one of the warmest areas in the Columbia Valley. However, Frenchman Hills Vineyard is a cooler site, partly because of its higher elevation at 1650 feet. Because of the slightly cooler aspect, grapes hang longer without accumulating excessive sugar (and thus, higher alcohols) while still managing to retain beautiful acidity.

Coyote Canyon: Coyote Canyon overlooks the Columbia River on the southwest edge of the Wahluke Slope. A lower, cooler elevation site, with rocky soils from erratics left from the Missoula Floods. The fruit harvested from this vineyard is dark and dense with powerful tannins.

VINTAGE

The 2015 Harvest in Washington State started with an early spring bud break and continued into a warm summer. Although it started early and was a very warm year, the fall turned out to be long and temperate, which gave great ripening to our fruit, bright acid, low alcohol and beautiful complexity.



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