



# 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

### 92 Points, *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate*

"One of the best values I've tasted in a long time, the 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon from the team at K Vintners was hand-harvested, natively fermented and aged all in French oak. Smoking good notes of cassis, black currants and hints of plum all emerge from this rich, beautifully textured, layered beauty that has solid tannic grip, a silky, elegant texture and a great finish. It has real elegance and finesse and is a dark fruited, unctuous beauty to drink over the coming 3-4 years."

### 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 unfined 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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