

Cabernet Sauvignon

2015 | COLUMBIA VALLEY



100% CABERNET SAUVIGNON
60% Upland Vineyard "Old Vine"
Cabernet Sauvignon
40% Seven Hills Vineyard
Cabernet Sauvignon

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

pH: 3.99

TA: 4.8 g/liter

RS: <0.2 g/liter

14.5% alcohol

354 cases



Harvest and Winemaking

2015 was the hottest vintage in Washington history. The heat was relentless from June through October. Fortunately the heat was consistent and not a continuous series of 100°F spikes. Most of our vineyards were harvested 3 weeks earlier than usual and at higher levels of grape clusters per vine than we have every experienced. The result is wines with richness in the midpallet and lower acidity than normal for Washington wines.

Upland Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon was planted in 1973, making the vines some of the oldest in Washington State. We hand picked these grapes on September 27. Seven Hills Vineyard block 14 was planted in 1997 and we hand picked the grapes on September 19. Both vineyard's grapes were fermented by yeasts native to the vineyard. Only the free run wine was retained. Both Cabernets were aged in 50% new French Oak for 6 months then racked to neutral French Oak barrels and bottled in February 2017.

Tasting

The hue of the i-label Cabernet Sauvignon is a deep red color. The wine is polished, with aromas of dusty earth and oak spices and hints of cinnamon, dried tarragon, sandalwood, currants, cherries, and cigar box. The mouthfeel is lively and delicious, wonderful concentration without heaviness. The tannins are silky and entwine nicely with the acidity through the long finish.

Thoughts on the i-label Series

Our goal is to produce 100% varietal wines, fermented by native yeasts, aged in oak barrels, and taste like a wine that costs twice as much. The i-label wines are only sold through distributors and priced to make it easy for consumers to experiment and enjoy hand crafted, delicious wine.

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