

BALBOA

2013 CONSTRICTOR

Tasting Notes

Exhibits aromas of dark raspberry, blackberry and currant braced upon damp earth notes. The palate opens with flavors of dark cherry, ripe raspberry and blackberry cobbler with undertones of espresso and cocoa.

Production Notes

A blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah from Eidolon Vineyard, our estate vineyard located in the 'Rocks District of Milton-Freewater.

Vineyard

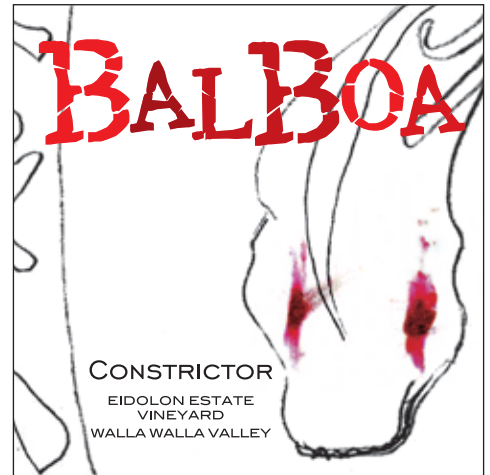
- Estate Eidolon Vineyard, 'Rocks District of Milton Freewater', Walla Walla Valley

Winemaking

- Hand-harvested grapes
- Picked early in the morning
- Small lot fermentations in stainless steel tanks
- The cap was manually punched down twice a day
- 21 days of extended maceration on the Cabernet Sauvignon
- The wine was blended and aged for 16 months in French Oak barrels with 10% new
- Cross-flow filtration prior to bottling

Vintage

- 2013 was overall one of the warmest vintages on record
- Bud break started in early-mid April with bloom in early June, between 1-2 weeks early than normal
- Warm summer temperatures continued to allow good ripening, with slightly smaller berry size and thicker skins for deep rich flavors and tannins
- Cool September temperatures slowed down sugar accumulation allowing for longer hangtime and complex flavor development
- Harvest started on September 10th and lasted through the end of October



Wine Data

Appellation.....Walla Walla Valley
VarietalCabernet-Syrah Blend
Composition60% Cabernet Sauvignon
..... 40% Syrah
Vineyard.....Estate Eidolon Vineyard
Vintage 2013

Technical Notes

pH3.69
Total Acidity 6.5 g/L
Alcohol..... 14.2%
Harvest Date.....Sept 20 - Oct 11, 2013
Bottling DateMay 22, 2015
Production 500 cases