

BALBOA

2014 GRENACHE

Tasting Notes

Ripe and expressive with mountain strawberry, raspberry and dark cherry notes braced upon orange peel and clove. Elegant and polished on the palate with juicy fruit flavors of ripe blackberry, cherry and cranberry balanced upon vanilla and crème brûlée leading into a rich, silky finish.

Production Notes

100% Grenache, a late ripening varietal that excels in the warm, dry conditions of the Walla Walla Valley. The varietal is highly prone to oxidation and because of this is only racked at bottling.

Vineyard

- Summit View Vineyard, Walla Walla Valley

Winemaking

- Hand-harvested grapes
- Small lot fermentations in stainless steel tanks with 25% whole clusters
- The cap was manually punched down two times per day
- Pressed and transferred to barrels to complete secondary fermentation
- The wine was aged sur lie for 14 months in neutral French Oak barrels

Vintage

- 2014 was a very consistent vintage very similar to 2013
- Bud break started in early-mid April with bloom in early June again slightly early for Washington
- August temperatures were slightly cooler allowing for a longer hangtime with good yields
- Consistent September with cool nights produced richly structured wines, ripe flavors that retained high natural acids
- Harvest started on September 5th and lasted through the end of October

The BALBOA logo is rendered in a large, bold, red, distressed font with a slight shadow effect, set against a white background.

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SUMMIT VIEW VINEYARD
WALLA WALLA VALLEY

Wine Data

Appellation.....Walla Walla Valley
Varietal..... Grenache
Composition.....100% Grenache
Vineyard..... Summit View Vineyard
Vintage..... 2014

Technical Notes

pH.....3.45
Total Acidity..... 6.9 g/L
Alcohol..... 14.7%
Harvest Date..... September 27, 2014
Bottling Date..... May 10, 2016
Production..... 125 cases