

# BALBOA

## 2014 ESTATE MALBEC

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### Tasting Notes

Our Estate Malbec opens with dark raspberry, ripe strawberry and French roast coffee. The palate transitions to blackberry, ripe red fruits with black peppercorns with floral undertones. Rich, dark and intense with lingering tannins and balanced acidity.

### Production Notes

A 100% varietal Estate Malbec sourced from our Estate Eidolon Vineyard, located in the Rocks District sub-appellation of the Walla Walla Valley.

### Vineyard

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

### Winemaking

- Hand-harvested grapes
- Small lot fermentations in open top stainless steel tanks
- The cap was manually punched down two times per day
- Pressed and transferred to barrels to complete secondary fermentation
- The wine was aged for 16 months in French Oak barrels

### Vintage

- 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 4th lasting through the end of October

The logo features the word "BALBOA" in a large, bold, red, distressed font with a slight shadow effect, set against a white background.

MALBEC  
2014  
EIDOLON ESTATE VINEYARD  
WALLA WALLA VALLEY

### Wine Data

*Appellation*.....Walla Walla Valley  
*Varietal* .....Estate Malbec  
*Composition* .....100% Malbec  
*Vineyard* .....Estate Eidolon Vineyard  
*Vintage* ..... 2014

### Technical Notes

*pH* .....3.65  
*Total Acidity* ..... 6.6 g/L  
*Alcohol*..... 14.5%  
*Harvest Date*..... September 27, 2014  
*Bottling Date* ..... May 2, 2016  
*Production* ..... 300 cases