

# BALBOA

## 2017 GRÜNER VELTLINER

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### Tasting Notes

Exotic aromas of lime blossoms, crushed rocks, citrus and pink pepper corn with spicy floral notes. Bright acidity with flavors of lemon, lime and grapefruit leading into guava and fresh peach.

### Production Notes

The 2017 is our third 100% varietal Grüner Veltliner sourced exclusively from Bloxom Slope Vineyard.

### Vineyard

Bloxom Slope Vineyard, Columbia Valley — A new vineyard planted exclusively to Grüner Veltliner situated at 1,000 feet of elevation with loess soils. The vineyard lies east of Yakima and north of the Rattlesnake Hills.

### Winemaking

- Hand-harvested grapes
- Picked early in the morning and whole cluster pressed to stainless steel
- Primary fermentation took place in stainless steel at low temperatures
- Following fermentation, aged in stainless steel for 6 months until bottling
- Cross-flow filtration prior to bottling

### Vintage

- 2017 was overall a moderate year delaying harvest by about a week
- The vintage started with a cool, wet spring with bud break occurring in early April
- Bloom occurred in early June catching up with the long-term averages
- August temperatures were slightly warmer than average increasing fruit maturation with cooler nights to retain natural acids
- Balboa's harvest started on September 13th lasting through the end of October

The Balboa logo is rendered in a bold, red, distressed font with a slight 3D effect and a drop shadow, set against a white background.

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2017  
BLOXOM SLOPE VINEYARD  
COLUMBIA VALLEY

### Wine Data

*Appellation*..... Columbia Valley  
*Varietal* .....Grüner Veltliner  
*Composition* ..... 100% Grüner Veltliner  
*Vineyard* ..... Bloxom Slope Vineyard  
*Vintage* ..... 2017

### Technical Notes

*pH* .....3.34  
*Total Acidity* ..... 6.6 g/L  
*Alcohol*..... 12.6%  
*Harvest Date*..... September 15, 2017  
*Bottling Date* .....February 22, 2018  
*Production* ..... 118 cases