

BALBOA

2016 Cabernet Franc

Tasting Notes

Deep ruby colored, this wine emits aromas of raspberry, cherry, plum, dried roses, cedar, tobacco, rosemary, and incense. The flavors are medium-bodied, yet thick and chewy, intermixed with red licorice, cocoa, black tea and minerals. The back picks up pressed berries, framboise and kirsch liqueurs and graphite, followed by a moderate tannin finish with notes of cardamom and sage

Production Notes

A single varietal Cabernet Franc sourced from Summit View Vineyard

Vineyards

- Summit View Vineyard, 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
- The wine was aged for 18 months in French Oak barrels, 10% new

Vintage

- Warm spring temperatures lead to early bud break
- Moderate temperatures in the early summer allowed for ideal bloom and fruit set
- Cooler than average temperatures in the early summer allowed fruit to ripen gradually, leading to lower sugars and higher natural acidity
- These cooler temperatures extended the growing season for optimal flavor development across all varietals
- Harvest started on September 2nd and continued into mid-October.

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CABERNET FRANC
2016
SUMMIT VIEW VINEYARD
WALLA WALLA VALLEY

Wine Data

Appellation.....Walla Walla Valley
Varietal..... Cabernet Franc
Composition.....100% Cabernet Franc
Vineyards.....Summit View Vineyard
Vintage..... 2016

Technical Notes

pH.....3.59
Total Acidity6.3 g/L
Alcohol.....14.4%
Harvest Date.....Sept. 21, 2016
Bottling Date..... Aug 3, 2018
Production 73 cases