

# BALBOA

## 2015 GRENACHE - SYRAH - MOURVEDRE

### Tasting Notes

Notes of leather, espresso, black pepper, blackberry, olive, and pie cherry. The palate displays flavors of ripe dark fruits, blueberry, orange peel and savory game notes balanced upon earthiness and fine tannins.

### Production Notes

A blend of equal parts Grenache, Syrah, and Mourvedre, our 2015 GSM was fermented separately and aged for 12 months before blending. It was aged for an additional 14 months after blending in French Oak barrels.

### Vineyards

- Canyon's Vineyard, Red Mountain
- Estate Eidolon Vineyard, 'Rocks District' of Milton- Freewater
- 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 14 months in French Oak barrels
- Cross flow filtration prior to bottling

### Vintage

- The warmest vintage on record for Washington
- Bud break occurred two to three weeks early in most sites
- Increased irrigation and proper canopy management allowed for healthy vines and fruit development
- Cooler temperatures in the fall allowed for an extended hangtime with smaller-than-usual berries, producing more structured tannins
- Harvest started on August 25<sup>th</sup> lasting through early October.



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2016  
COLUMBIA VALLEY

### Wine Data

*Appellation*.....Walla Walla Valley  
*Varietal*..... GSM  
*Composition*.....34% Grenache,  
33% Syrah, 33% Mourvedre  
*Vineyards*.....Canyon's  
Vineyard, Eidolon Vineyard, Summit  
View Vineyard  
*Vintage*..... 2015

### Technical Notes

*pH*.....3.65  
*TA*.....6.4 g/L  
*Alcohol*.....14.8%  
*Harvest Date*..... 9/4 - 9/23  
*Bottling Date*..... May 29<sup>nd</sup>, 2017  
*Production* .....220 cases