



2017 Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley AVA

VINEYARDS

Quintessence Vineyard

Located on Red Mountain, this 323-acre vineyard spans an elevation of 661-1106 feet. The southern exposure of the site, as well as the soil mixture of silt and sandy loam, creates growing conditions to mature grapes into powerhouse Cabernet Sauvignon.

Weinbau Vineyard

First planted in 1981, this is a relatively warm site due to its 710-950 ft elevation. The site is characterized by a gentle south facing slope and Kennewick silt loam soils.

Dineen Vineyard

Originally developed in 2001, it remains one of the premier growing sites in Washington. Situated at an elevation of 1050-1140, its soils are a mix of Harvard-Burke and Scoon silt loam with layers of Caliche.

VINTAGE

Growing Season	A wet cool spring pushed budbreak back by two weeks, but a hot summer accelerated berry development. Weather was ideal during harvest, with warm days and cool nights. This allowed grapes to ripen while retaining acidity.
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WINEMAKING

Varietal Composition	90% Cabernet Sauvignon 45% Quintessence 26% Weinbau 19% Dineen 7% Petit Verdot 3% Cabernet Franc
Fermentation	While most grapes were crushed, 23% were destemmed and fermented as whole berries for aromatics and to craft tannin structure. During fermentation, must caps were punched down by hand twice daily, until the desired tannin structure developed. After primary fermentation was complete, malolactic fermentation occurred in barrel.
Aging	Aged for 17 months in French oak, 65% of which was new
Cases	341
Alcohol	14.8%
pH	3.88
Titrateable Acidity	0.53 g/100mL
Release Date - Price	August 2020 - \$48