



2015 SOUTHWIND RED BLEND

WALLA WALLA VALLEY

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The 2015 vintage was among the warmest in Washington State in the last 20 years. 2015 was comparable to (but slightly warmer than) 2003 and 2014. This vintage was marked by an early bud-break that made for accelerated plant and fruit development throughout the growing season. Careful vineyard monitoring was essential, to avoid over-ripening and run-away sugar-levels in the grapes.

TASTING NOTES

Intense and saturated dark purple color, this wine hits every chord on the aroma spectrum – blueberry, black raspberry, pomegranate, purple flowers, scorched earth, and Asian spice are just a few that immediately spring from the glass. Full-bodied with rich with tarry black fruits and a vineyard specific tannin profile and minerality that drives flavor from entry to finish. It fleshes out nicely with decanting adding forward flavors of dark plum and baking spice with concentrated blackberry and licorice also in the mix. A delicious blend that can be enjoyed now or cellared for the next 4-7 years.

ANALYSIS

Varietal Composition: 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Cabernet Franc, 16% Malbec, 12% Petit Verdot, 2% Merlot

Aging: 22 months in French oak barrels

Alc: 14.90% by volume

pH: 3.82

TA: 6.30g/L

CADARETTA

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