



2013

Seven Hills Vineyard MERLOT
WALLA WALLA VALLEY

SEVEN HILLS WINERY

TECHNICAL NOTES

VINEYARD	Seven Hills Vineyard, Walla Walla Valley 100% LIVE Certified Sustainable				
GRAPES	94% Merlot, 3% Cabernet Franc, 3% Cabernet Sauvignon				
VINTAGE	Very warm growing conditions, with strong heat unit accumulation producing small berries with opulent fruit framed by firm tannin structure				
AGEING	20 Months in French oak barrels, 40% new				
AROMA	Black cherry, marionberry, cocoa, cedar, rose				
TASTE	Cherry, blackberry, black tea, leather, black peppercorn, spice				
ALCOHOL	13.9%	LOT SIZE	785 cases	SRP	\$45.00



WINEMAKER'S NOTES

This wine is drawn from the original Merlot blocks at Seven Hills Vineyard that I planted with my father in the summer of 1982. 2013 marks the 26th vintage I have made Merlot from these same vines.

This vintage exhibits a beautiful, dark ruby color and enticing aromas of black cherry, bramble berries, cocoa, cedar, and rose petals. The palate is supple and generous with loads of red and black fruits accentuated with earthy tea, leather, and spice finishing with both supple fruit and firm, spicy tannins. While drinking well at release, it will improve considerably with a few years extra bottle age and should cellar well for up to ten years from vintage.

Casey McClellan, Winemaker

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