



2015

Seven Hills Vineyard MERLOT  
WALLA WALLA VALLEY

# SEVEN HILLS WINERY

## TECHNICAL NOTES

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| VINEYARD | Seven Hills Vineyard, Walla Walla Valley<br>100% LIVE Certified Sustainable   |          |                       |
| GRAPES   | 89% Merlot, 7% Cabernet Sauvignon, 4% Cabernet Franc  |          |                       |
| 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    | Red cherry, marionberry, mocha, rose  |          |                       |
| TASTE    | Raspberry, red currant, vanilla, caramel, sweet spice   |          |                       |
| ALCOHOL  | 14.7%   | LOT SIZE | 608 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. 2015 marks the 28th vintage I have made Merlot from these same vines.

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

*Casey McClellan, Winemaker*

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