

THE ESTATE

Established in 2007, Double Canyon Vineyard, named for the two ravines that run through the property, resides in the heart of the award-winning Horse Heaven Hills. The inaugural vintage of our Horse Heaven Hills Cabernet Sauvignon captures the character of this distinctive, windswept region to present a classic Washington Cabernet.

THE WINE

Our 2012 Horse Heaven Hills Cabernet Sauvignon is accented by Syrah and a touch of Malbec. One quarter of the fruit comes from our own Double Canyon Vineyard estate, and the remaining elements of the blend are sourced from vineyards near and intimately familiar to us. Another quarter of the blend hails from Phinny Hill Vineyard, which is located directly across the road and owned by our Vineyard Manager, Will Beightol's family. The remaining fruit is sourced from Zephyr Ridge, which is 20 miles east of our property and defined by sandy soils that reflect its proximity to the Columbia River. Zephyr Ridge was previously managed by Beightol, as well.

All of the various lots were fermented in small stainless steel tanks. The wine was then aged in 30% new French oak for 18 months. We selected lots we felt were particularly aromatic and rich on the palate, to emphasize the fragrance inherent in the Cabernets of Horse Heaven Hills.

VINTAGE

2012 was a banner Washington vintage on many levels. Fall began with ideal weather and progressed without extreme temperatures through October. As a result, we were able to choose our harvest dates and pick at the height of ripeness without worrying about heat waves or early frosts and rains. The Cabernet from Double Canyon came in on October 31st and November 7th; the Syrah was harvested October 10th.

TASTING NOTES

Our 2012 Double Canyon Horse Heaven Hills Cabernet Sauvignon demonstrates a deep color and generous ripe tannins. Luminous and dark purple in hue, this wine delivers a rich fruit and floral fragrance accented by an exotic vanilla spice. The palate opens with soft, rich flavors of bright red plum and dried red cherry accented by black tea leaf and fresh vanilla bean. The texture is smooth and luscious, and the wine's balance and mouthwatering acidity make for a classic Horse Heaven Hills Cabernet.

APPELLATION: HORSE HEAVEN HILLS

BLEND: 84% CABERNET SAUVIGNON, 13% SYRAH, 3% MALBEC

ALCOHOL: 14.7%

BARREL REGIMEN: 18 MONTHS IN FRENCH OAK; 30% NEW OAK

CASE PRODUCTION: 698 CASES

RELEASE DATE: JULY 2014

SRP: \$25



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CABERNET SAUVIGNON