



SEVEN HILLS

WINERY

2020 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

WALLA WALLA VALLEY

Within Washington State, with its Cabernet Sauvignon-friendly climate and soils, the Walla Walla Valley AVA occupies a very special place. Having just the right amount of warmth and a generous variety of soil types and elevations, coupled with decades of tradition in growing world class Cabernet Sauvignon.



VITICULTURE & WINEMAKING

With 30 years of experience as Cabernet Sauvignon specialists, working with established, dedicated winegrowers, we've sourced this bottling from a selection of the sweet spots of Cabernet Sauvignon terroir. We've drawn upon deep silt-loam soils, thin wind-deposited silt on basalt, and cobblestone gravel at multiple-elevations around the AVA. Open top fermented and aged in 30% new American, French, and Hungarian barrels (225L barrels) for 20 months. Crossflow filtered. Vegan.

VINTAGE

The 2020 growing season started in mid-April with bloom beginning in the 3rd week of May, slightly ahead of average. June was abnormally wet causing some shatter which gave us smaller crop than average. The summer months were consistently warm without many heat spikes giving the vines ideal conditions for ripening. September and October brought above average temperatures providing longer hangtime allowing Cabernet Sauvignon to reach ideal ripeness. The smaller crop loads and warmer fall is a recipe for high quality wine in Walla Walla Valley. First fruit was picked on September 16th with the last lot harvested on October 16th.

TASTING NOTES

Garnet in color opening with aromas of red cherries, plums, cocoa powder, with hints for fresh herbs, cedar box and earth. Medium body wine with lush texture, firm tannins and balanced acidity shows flavors of cherries, raspberry, dark chocolate, cinnamon stick, and vanilla bean with a touch of dried herbs. Peak drinking within 3-5 years from vintage date but will age nicely up to 10 years. Pairs well with grilled rib eye or beef bourguignon or mushroom gratin.

ANALYSIS

VARIETALS 76% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Petit Verdot, 7% Malbec, 4% Cabernet Franc, 1% Merlot and 1% Carménère

ALCOHOL 14.5% **PH** 3.84 **TA** 5.8 g/L