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ESTATES

2016 Cabernet Franc
Walla Walla Valley AVA | 153 Cases Produced



Vineyard

Windrow Vineyard is the oldest commercially planted vineyard in the Walla Walla AVA. Talks to create the appellation happened on this soil. Situated on a bench created by thousands of years ago where Lower Dry Creek empties into the southern Walla Walla Valley, Windrow has a rare combination of heat during the day followed by a cool breeze flowing out of the Blue Mountains in the evenings. This diurnal shift allows us to grow our grapes until later in the season, increasing maturity while retaining enough acidity to maintain balance and structure. Ellisford Silt Loam is prevalent in this part of the Walla Walla Valley AVA. Windrow varies from deep deposits of windblown loess to shallow layers over gravelly cobble.

Winemaking

2016 was one of those vintages that winemakers really like – no surprises. A warm spring gave way to a modestly hot summer that resulted in nicely balanced wines with great structure and beautiful aromatics. This wine pairs well with a fire and a book or you could grill a nice fat pork chop.~Doug Roskelley, Winemaker

Tasting Notes

In true Windrow Vineyard style, the aromatics on this vintage of Cabernet Franc are powerful and practically leap out of the glass. With aromas of roasted coffee beans, baker's chocolate, and earth, it's an eye-opener for sure. The palate boasts dark berries like blackberries and currants, roasted nuts, mocha, and a hint of dates or figs...ending with a long, lingering finish that is truly delightful.