

## **TASTING NOTES**

"The 2015 Crowdsourced Cabernet Sauvignon shows high tone red berry, dried herbs and spice aromas. On the palate, the wine develops warm huckleberry pie flavors with a chocolate and blueberry undertone and a silky texture. It finishes with an elegant, yet evident texture. Not unlike the first vintage, this wine is definitely a Columbia Crest wine, yet with a new take on our terroir based on the crowd's decisions and the conditions during the growing season."

— JUAN MUÑOZ-OCA, CO-WINEMAKER

# CRONDSOIRGED 2015 Cabernet Sawignon

This is your wine — a wine made by the crowd on CrowdsourcedCabernet.com.

In a near perfect harvest, the crowd chose to harvest at night at 24-25 BRIX, create a well-balanced wine aged for 12 months in 60% new oak barrels. The result? A bright, elegant and refined Cabernet Sauvignon from the Horse Heaven Hills.

# **GROWING SEASON**

- The 2015 vintage was one of the warmest growing seasons on record in Washington.
- Warm temperatures continued through the spring and summer, moderating slightly into fall and extending an early harvest.
- » Overall, 2015 saw very favorable growing conditions, producing optimal ripening across varieties and yielding outstanding wines throughout the region.

# **VINEYARDS**

- » The handpicked fruit is sourced from Columbia Crest Estate vineyard located in the Horse Heaven Hills.
- » The balance between warm daytime temperatures and cooler evenings helps concentrate aromatics and enhance complexity.
- » The appellation's low rainfall yields concentrated fruit with depth and varietal expression.

# **VINIFICATION**

- » Grapes were hand-picked at night. They were optically sorted and crushed to an oak tank.
- » From there, the juice was cold soaked on the skins for 2-4 days.
- » During primary fermentation the juice was frequently racked and returned to create softer tannins and complex texture.
- » The wine aged 12 months in 60% new oak barrels.

### **TECHNICAL DATA**

APPELLATION	Horse Heaven Hills	ALCOHOL	14.5%
VINEYARDS	Columbia Crest Estate Vineyards, Block 10	TOTAL ACIDITY	0.55g/100mL
RIFND	80% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Franc	PH	3.75
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