



WALLA WALLA VALLEY

2016 Malbec

VINTAGE NOTES

- The 2016 vintage at Spring Valley Vineyard experienced the best of both worlds with a hot spring and early summer, but also a cool fall season.
- Cooler temperatures in August and September, slowed down ripening and resulted in longer hang time for the grapes.
- Overall, 2016 saw very favorable growing conditions, producing wines with ripeness and elegance.

VINEYARD NOTES

- Spring Valley Vineyard lies northeast of Walla Walla, amid the picturesque wheat fields. The initial block of Merlot was planted in 1993.
- The vines follow the north-south slope of the hills in vertical rows.
- Every grape is tended by hand, including crop thinning, leaf pulling, and harvesting.

WINEMAKING NOTES

- Spring Valley Vineyard fruit is hand-picked, hand-sorted and gently de-stemmed by gravity from the “Steep Hill” and “Cap Vineyards”.
- During the 10-20 day fermentation, each tank is tasted daily until the Winemaker decides it is time to press using wooden cage basket presses.
- The wine is transferred into barrels for secondary fermentation and gets racked several times.

TASTING NOTES

This wine comes from the original 1 acre block of Malbec planted in 2001. It is a very refreshing Malbec packed with blueberry and dark cherry flavors. A great wine pairing very well with your BBQ party.

TA: 0.54 gm/100mL

PH: 3.84

ALCOHOL: 14.2%

BLEND:

Malbec.