

TA: 0.63 gm/100mL

PH: 3.67

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

BLEND:

Cabernet Sauvignon.

# walla walla valley 2018 Derby Cabernet Sauvignon

### ADDITIONAL NOTES

The names given to Spring Valley Vineyard wines are a tribute to the family members who have succeeded in farming the same land where the vineyard and winery now flourish. This wine represents the marriage of Shari Corkrum and Dean Derby and brings the Derby heritage to the Spring Valley wines

### VINTAGE NOTES

- The 2018 vintage at Spring Valley was extremely compressed over a 4 week period. The winter was somewhat warm compared to 2017.
- Spring was very wet and summer was very hot and dry contributing to low yields.
- Occasional fires in surrounding areas filtered the sun light and delayed Harvest. First pick was on September 5 and last pick was on October 8.

### VINEYARD NOTES

- Spring Valley Vineyard lies twelve miles northeast of Walla Walla, amid the picturesque wheat fields of southeastern Washington.
- The vines follow the north-south slope of the hills in vertical rows that take advantage of air drainage and sunshines.
- Every grape cluster 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.
- In keeping with Spring Valley tradition, hand punch-downs occur twice a day until the end of alcoholic fermentation.
- The wine is transferred by pump into barrels for secondary fermentation. Aged 19 months in French oak, 20% new.

# TASTING NOTES

As usual, a very limited number of barrels were able to go under the label 100% Cabernet Sauvignon "Derby". Complexity and purity is the ultimate goal for this wine. Rose petal on the nose. Flavors are focused on ripe cherry. Intense mid pallet and finish on herbal notes.