



WALLA WALLA VALLEY

2018 Katherine Corkrum Cabernet Franc

ADDITIONAL NOTES

The names given to Spring Valley Vineyard wines are a tribute to the family members where the same land is where the vineyard and winery now flourish. This Cabernet Franc is named in honor of Uriah Corkrum's wife Katherine, a native of Wales who immigrated to Walla Walla Territory in 1897.

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. Also, we did not experience really high temperatures unlike that of June 2015.
- 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 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 100% Cabernet Franc comes entirely from the old blocks of Cabernet Franc planted in 1995 and 2001. It has a solid structure but the tannins are high quality and seamless.

TA: 0.57 gm/100mL

PH: 3.89

ALCOHOL: 14.4%

BLEND:

Cabernet Franc.