

2017 CABERNET SAUVIGNON WALLA WALLA VALLEY

Chris Peterson Tasting note—This wine has a beautiful nose that leads with alpine flowers and sweet herbs, before leading into more traditional fruit notes of red currant, plum, and blackberry, with hints of anise on the finish. This 100% Cab is large-scaled on the palate, echoing the nose with plum reduction, currant, exotic flower and crushed rock notes. As usual, this wine combines the powerful structure of Pepper Bridge with the finesse from Seven Hills. Give this a few years in the cellar or decant, otherwise it will be drinking beautifully in 5-15 years.

BLEND 100% Cabernet Sauvignon
67% Seven Hills Cabernet
33% Pepper Bridge Cabernet

AGING 60% New French Oak



94 POINTS **JEB DUNNUCK**

This wine reveals a deep purple hue as well as beautiful floral, lavender, and spice-driven aromas and flavors. With medium to full-bodied richness, ripe, silky tannins, and just terrific balance, it's another gorgeous wine from this team that can be drunk today or cellared for 15 years or more. (4/15/20)

93 POINTS *Wine Spectator*

Robustly structured, yet refined and polished, with expressive blackberry, smoky sage and licorice flavors that build tension toward fine-grained tannins. Best from 2021 through 2030. 350 cases made. (Tim Fish)

94 POINTS



Starting with a rocky minerality that shines through on the nose, the wine shows a good core of red and black fruit. The dark red fruit lingers over the palate with a rocky and softly savory spiced tension, giving way to structured tannins that build on the back end of the mid-palate. The wine is focused on the well-framed finish, with blackcurrant and black raspberry jus sprinkled with a rustic and rocky tension. It's a nicely made wine that drinks well. I want a second sip. (Anthony Mueller 12/30/19)

93 POINTS (CELLAR SELECTION)



The aromas enchant, with notes of dried herb, black currant, red apple, cocoa and spice. Broad, palate coating fruit flavors follow, showing depth, texture and dimension. A firm coil of tightly wound tannins ties it together. It's a very classy, sophisticated wine that needs time in the cellar to show its stuff. It only picks up steam the longer it's open. Best after 2027 and will shine a good decade-plus beyond that. (Sean Sullivan June 2020)

94 POINTS *vinous*

Bright ruby-red. Aromas of blue and black fruits and licorice are lifted by floral and herbal nuances. A very stylish, silky Cabernet Sauvignon with terrific inner-mouth violet lift and sexy oak tones to its fine-grained flavors of dark berries and cocoa powder. Concentrated, savory and very long; more pliant than the 2016 version owing to its nobility of tannins. Very classy juice--and showing brilliantly today. (Stephen Tanzer 12/19)

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