



Commemorating Our 40th Vintage

2018 COLUMBIA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Since our founding in 1978, Quilceda Creek has dedicated itself to one thing: producing world-class Cabernet Sauvignon. Director of Winemaking Paul Golitzin believes that the winery's greatest assets are the vineyards of the Columbia Valley. Through vineyard ownership and control, and through precision farming, we are able to grow and produce the highest caliber Cabernet Sauvignon. In award of our relentless pursuit of producing perfect Cabernet Sauvignon, Quilceda Creek has received seven 100 Point ratings from *Wine Advocate*, three 100 Point ratings from *Owen Bargreen*, two 100 Point ratings from *Decanter* and three Top Ten Wines of the Year from *Wine Spectator*.

2018 commemorates the 40th vintage of Quilceda Creek since its founding in 1978. Each bottle of our 40th Vintage 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon is adorned with a commemorative foil to celebrate this historic occasion.

VARIETAL

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

VINEYARDS

Champoux (90%) and Mach One (10%) Vineyards in the Horse Heaven Hills AVA in Columbia Valley, Washington

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

The 2018 growing season started out with one of the warmest Mays on record, advancing the spring bloom. June, July and August were quite warm, then temperatures cooled off in September creating ideal conditions for perfect final ripening. 100% Cabernet Sauvignon sourced from our Champoux (90%) and Mach One (10%) vineyards.

TASTING NOTES

As this slowly begins to unwind in the glass it releases gorgeous aromas of blackberries, dark plums and Creme de cassis that are accented by graphite, violets, herbs, sweet spices and mocha which all take shape beautifully. The palate is full-bodied, concentrated and incredibly fresh, with a round polished texture and a dense layered core of ripe dark fruits that expands seamlessly into the lavish finish. While the 2018 is already stunning to drink in its youth, it should ultimately go on to have a brilliant future ahead and evolve gracefully for at least two decades.

DRINKING WINDOW

2022 - 2040

WINE ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 14.8%, pH: 3.91, TA: 6.0 g/L

AGING

20 months in 100% new Darnajou and Taransaud French Oak barrels followed by 10 months in bottle before release.

100 POINTS
DECANTER

100 POINTS
WA WINE BLOG

98+ POINTS
JEB DUNNUCK

98 POINTS
WINE ADVOCATE

98 POINTS
INTERNATIONAL
WINE REPORT

98 POINTS
JAMES SUCKLING

98 POINTS
WINE ENTHUSIAST