



BECKSTONE

“Said the river: imagine everything you can imagine, then keep on going.”
- Mary Oliver

Beckstone | Cabernet Sauvignon | Horse Heaven Hills | 2020



Fruit of the Floods

Over 13,000 years ago sudden ice dam ruptures at Glacial Lake Missoula led to a series of cataclysmic floods that swept across eastern Washington and down through the Columbia River Gorge. These ‘Missoula Floods’ were instrumental in the creation of loamy soils – a gritty mix of sand, silt, and clay deposits that offer a diversity ideal for viticulture. At Beckstone, we source the highest quality fruit from these rich, layered soils at the Wallula Vineyards overlooking the confluence of the Snake and Columbia Rivers. ‘Beck’ is an archaic noun that refers to a mountain river, especially a swiftly running stream with steep banks. Our Cabernet Sauvignon honors these historical floods and the ancient balance of sediments that is evident in the wine.

Tasting Notes

Deep ruby in color with aromas of blueberry, fresh raspberry, and hints of violet. The wine opens like tea poured over mulled raspberries. Notes of milk chocolate and violets begin to layer mid-palate, along with vanilla shortbread cookies. The crushed velvet finish is long and soothing.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

Cabernet Sauvignon - 81.4%
Merlot - 8.8%
Malbec - 8.4%
Muscat Canelli - 0.9%
Riesling - 0.5%

OAK COMPOSITION

Aged for 20 months; French & American Oak
Medium, Medium+, and Medium++ toasts

FERMENTATION COMPOSITION

Traditional fermentation in stainless steel
Maceration range: 7-16 days (10 day average)
Shorter macerations: vibrant color & fresh fruit
Longer macerations: bold structure

APPELLATION

Horse Heaven Hills - 98.2%
Yakima Valley - 1.8%

ALCOHOL

13.7%

pH

3.95

RESIDUAL SUGAR

1.1 g/L

TOTAL ACIDITY

4.9 g/L