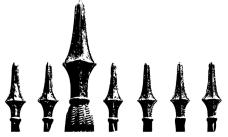
## **GRAMERCY CELLARS**



## 2016 Lower East Cabernet Sauvignon

## COLUMBIA VALLEY



Walla Walla, located in the Lower East corner of Washington, is a home for world class Cabernet. We created Lower East as a thank you to our customers and industry friends. Our goal was to make a fantastic Cabernet at a fantastic price.

This idea began when we asked Dick Beightol at Phinny Hill in the Horse Heaven Hills to plant Cabernet specifically for us. He replied that he had a special gravel outcropping that he would love to plant for us. Phinny Hill is near perfect for Cabernet. It shows red fruit, gravel, herbs, bright acidity and firm tannin. We soon realized this fruit would blend fantastically with our Walla Walla Estate Vineyard and Pepper Bridge blocks. Walla Walla fruit tends to be more blue or black fruit and fills in the mid palate of the blend. In the 2016 vintage, our Octave Estate Vineyard came into play. Located at just over 1300 feet elevation at the southern edge of the Walla Walla AVA. Octave brings complexity and great acidity to the wine.

Blend: 75% Cabernet Sauvignon 16% Merlot, 8% Cabernet Franc, 1% Petit Verdot

VINEYARDS: PHINNY HILL, PEPPERBRIDGE, OCTAVE, LOESS, OLD STONES

Aging: 17 months in 18% new French

Oak Puncheons & Barrels

Alcohol: 14.3% Winery Retail: 32

Case Production: 2040 Cases

WINE ENTHUSIAST: 91 POINTS EDITORS CHOICE

TASTING NOTES: CLASSIC CABERNET AROMATICS OF BLACK CURRANT, BING CHERRY, AND RIPE RASPBERRY FOLLOWED BY SUBTLE NOTES OF DARK CHOCOLATE, ROSE HIPS, BEECHWOOD, VANILLA BEAN, THYME AND TURKISH SPICES. THIS WINE DEFINITELY LEANS MORE TOWARDS ELEGANT THAN POWERFUL. ON THE PALATE IT HAS SILKY APPROACHABLE TANNINS WITH FIRM ACIDITY CARRYING THE MID PALATE. THE FINISH IS LONG BUT SOFT AND APPROACHABLE.

