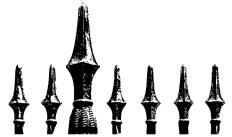
GRAMERCY CELLARS



2017 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

COLUMBIA VALLEY



Blend: 90% Cab Sauv, 7% Cab Franc, 3% Merlot

Vineyards: Phinny Hill, Bacchus, Gramercy Estate, Octave Estate

AGING: 22 MOS. IN 35% NEW FRENCH OAK

Alcohol: 14.1% Winery Retail: 50

Case Production: 1750 Cases
Drinking Window: 2022 - 2044

Wine Advocate: 93+ Points

WINE ENTHUSIAST: 92 POINTS (EDITOR'S CHOICE)

Dr. Owen Bargreen: 93 POINTS

International Wine Report: 93 Points

In some company, we feel comfortable enough to admit that we may drink more of our Cabernet at home than our Syrah. This admission does not discount the Syrah at all. We absolutely love it. But, particularly in recent years, we can't get enough of the Cabernet Sauvignon. The vineyards in Washington for Cabernet Sauvignon are simply stunning. And the wines can be reminiscent of the Old World and historical California from the 1980s and 90s, a rare style today.

The Cabernet Sauvignon always contains two vital parts - Phinny Hill and Sagemoor Vine-yards. They are like chocolate and peanut butter together. In 2016, we started a noteworthy introduction of our Estate vineyards in Walla Walla. For the past few years, we have moved the vineyards from sustainable to organic and are ecstatic with the results.

The 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon is about 50% Phinny Hill and 40% Sagemoor – Bacchus & Dionysus blocks. Each vineyard is vital to the final blend. As always, Phinny provides red fruit, backbone, and elegance. Sagemoor, with its aging vines from 25 to almost 50 years old, is all about power and complexity. The other 10% mostly includes our two estate vineyards in Walla Walla. Our JB George vineyard provided Cabernet Sauvignon and the Cabernet Franc and Merlot came from our Octave Estate Vineyard, located adjacent to but high above Seven Hills Vineyard.

The 2017 Cabernet is a blend of 90% Cab Sauv, 7% Cabernet Franc, and 3% Merlot. It was aged in 35% new French oak and the remainder in older French barrels.

Tasting Notes: Screams Cabernet all day. Laser focused & elegant. Pencil shavings & graphite. Not a dainty yellow #2, a huge, 2nd grade red pencil. Predominantly red fruits. Mushroom, gravel, cedar, dark chocolate, smoke. Dust/dirt. Acid is medium+ with sexy, developed tannins. Huge, long finish. Very serious. Slight herbal edge. Oak 100% integrated. Bottom line, wow.

