



2012 Cabernet Sauvignon McClellan Estate Vineyard, Walla Walla Valley

Vineyard: McClellan Estate, Walla Walla Valley
100% LIVE Certified Sustainable

Grapes: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Vintage: Warm growing conditions, moderate heat unit accumulation spread throughout the ripening season, normal yields

Ageing: 23 Months in French Oak Barrels, 40% new

Aroma: Raspberry, cherry, toffee, herbs, mineral

Taste: Boysenberry, Rainier cherry, peppercorn, spice, herb, mineral

Vegan: Yes

Alcohol: 14.4%

Lot size: 125 cases

Winemaker's Notes

McClellan Estate Vineyard lies at the southern edge of the Walla Walla Valley, adjacent to Seven Hills Vineyard. We have been growing grapes in this specific terroir for over 30 years. This history and learning allowed us to establish McClellan Estate Vineyard in 2003 employing the best varietals, clones, trellising systems, and vineyard practices most ideally suited to this specific site. Ten years later, we are able to see and begin to understand the uniqueness of this site as expressed in the wines it has produced. The 2012 vintage marks our first Single Vineyard Designated Cabernet Sauvignon from McClellan Estate and is that is the culmination of much patience and effort.

The wine has dense violet color with pure, focused boysenberry and rainier cherry fruit with subtle undertones of dried herbs, black peppercorn, and basalt minerality. The texture is suave and generous while punctuated with spicy and dusty tannins. All the reds from the 2012 vintage are already delicious now, though this wine will continue to cellar well for 10-15 years from vintage.

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