



## 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon Seven Hills Vineyard, Walla Walla Valley

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Vineyard: Seven Hills Vineyard, 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: 22 Months in French Oak Barrels, 40% new

Aroma: Raspberry, plum, toffee, spice, mineral, marzipan, floral, thyme

Taste: Black cherry, ripe plum, dried herbs, cedar bark, mocha, spice

Vegan: Yes

Alcohol: 14.2%

Lot size: 970 cases

### Winemaker's Notes

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This wine is drawn from the original Cabernet Sauvignon blocks at Seven Hills Vineyard, planted by my father in 1980. This vintage marks the 25<sup>th</sup> year I have been making Cabernet Sauvignon from these same, precious old vines.

After two very cool vintages, 2012 was a more "normal" vintage, pleasantly warm with heat accumulation spread through the growing season. This old vine Cabernet has a dark garnet gem color and a broad nose of ripe plum, raspberry, marzipan, toffee, forest floor, roasted meat, and thyme notes. The palate is plush and mouth-filling, yet framed with firm, dusty, fine-grained tannins and lifting acidity. The palate is filled with black cherry, ripe plum, mocha, dried herbs, cedar bark, and spices. This wine will improve significantly with cellaring over the first five years from vintage date and will hold nicely and continue to develop for ten to fifteen years.

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