

2012
Cabernet Sauvignon
Columbia Valley



Release Date:
October 2015

Blend:
86% Cabernet Sauvignon, 14% Merlot

Titrateable Acidity:
5.5 g/L

pH:
3.96

Alcohol:
13.4%

Winemaker:
Aryn Morell

Case Production:
320 cases

Suggested Retail Price:
\$35/bottle

Awards & Accolades:
90 points - Wine Spectator
90 points - Stephen Tanzer, Vinous
GOLD - Seattle Wine Awards

The Wine

Dark spices with brooding plum skin, black currants, dried black tea and tobacco. Swirling brings up black raspberry, dried strawberry, ripe plum and juniper berry. The palate is dense and polished with dried berries and dark spice. More Old World in style with its fine silky tannins and great length and freshness. Perfect for Cabernet lovers who want to drink, not chew, their wines.

The Winemaking

Sourced from Lawrence Vineyards, harvested October 27 & 28, 2012. Block 8, Corfu Crossing, Cabernet Sauvignon Clone 6; Block 1, Laura Lee, Cabernet Sauvignon Clone 6. Aged 19 months in 65% new French oak. Optimum drinking window: Fall 2015 until 2020.

The Cabernet that makes up the majority of this wine is grown on Taunton silt and helps keep the alcohol down and the flavor profile more complex and savory.

The Vineyard

Lawrence Vineyards is the estate vineyard that produces all of the wine grapes for Gård wines and other premium wineries in Washington state. Lawrence Vineyards is located in the Columbia Valley AVA on the picturesque Frenchman Hills. Vineyard elevation (1,365-1,675 ft.) and a southern-facing slope provide ideal conditions for growing fine wine grapes.

* Lawrence Vineyards is certified sustainable by Vinewise.org.

The Winery

Gård, meaning "farm" in many of the Scandinavian languages, is a tribute to our family's Scandinavian heritage and farming tradition. Founded in 2006, Gård Vintners is a family-owned and operated estate winery in the heart of Washington's Columbia Valley AVA, with vineyards on the Royal Slope, wine production in Walla Walla, and tasting rooms in Woodinville and Ellensburg.

The Lawrence family, founders of Gård Vintners, has been farming the Royal Slope, near Royal City, Wash., in Washington's Columbia Valley for over 50 years.