

# WATERBROOK

WALLA WALLA, WASHINGTON

## Malbec

2018 • COLUMBIA VALLEY

### TASTING NOTE

"Aromatics of grilled meat and black currant with flavors of blackberry and fresh Italian plum. This is a medium-bodied wine and finishes with flavors of black olive, roasted coffee beans and green tea. This wine has rich tannins and is fairly aggressive for a Malbec so you can pair it will grilled pork chops (stuffed if possible), beer can chicken, kabobs and lean steaks."

-John Freeman, Winemaker

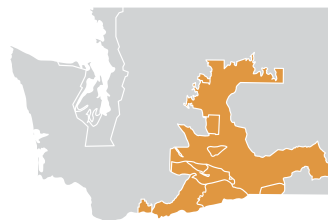
### VINTAGE NOTE

2018 represents a very long harvest and a record-breaker for volume and tons crushed. Drier weather at bloom, resulted in grapes with much less mildew pressure than last year. Two weeks of extremely hot weather towards the end of summer allowed fruit to hang a little longer. The levels of acid are coming in higher than in years past, so red varietals like Malbec will be bright and refreshing.

### VINEYARDS

- 41% Canyon Vineyard Ranch,  
20% Skyfall, 19% Willard, 8% Weinbau,  
6% Blue Mountain, 6% Roosevelt

One of the most diverse wine grape growing regions in Washington, its location in the rain shadow gives the Columbia Valley AVA 300 days of sun per year, which leads to wines with naturally bright acidity and fruity characteristics.



### WINEMAKING

VARIETY PERCENTAGE: 100% Malbec

TA: 5.6 g/l | PH: 3.75

AGING: 9 months in 21% new American oak

ALC: 13.28%

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