

BROWNE

FAMILY VINEYARDS

Inspired by the greatness of one man, William Bitner Browne, late grandfather of proprietor Andrew Browne, Browne Family Vineyards is a dream that has been many years in the making. Every decision made – from the vineyard to the bottle – reflects a commitment to premium Washington state wine of uncompromising quality, assuring cellar worthy vintages that stand the test of time.

“A TRIBUTE TO MY GRANDMOTHER, DOTTIE.”

- Andrew Browne



2017 CABERNET FRANC

TASTING NOTE

“Savory and earthy aromas of cedar and forest floor lead to flavors of French roast coffee, anise and cherry compote. Bold tannins are beautifully integrated with the French oak leaving a finish of licorice, sage brush and baking chocolate. The integrated tannins and full body in this wine will pair well with roasted poultry or pungent cheeses.”

John Freeman

- John Freeman, Winemaker

VINTAGE NOTE

After warmer and larger than average harvests from 2012-2016, this year's growing season and harvest were far more normal. A wet spring led to a dry, warm summer, allowing for excellent fruit development in our vineyards. By harvest, our fruit showed phenolic ripeness with an ideal balance between sugar, acids, and tannin in the fruit skins. The fruit harvested will make for a fine 2017 vintage from Washington. Harvest began during the second week of August with the last of our Cabernet Sauvignon pulled from The Benches Vineyard at Wallula Gap and Skyfall Vineyard on November 2.

WINEMAKING

HARVEST DATE

Oct. 10-11, 2017

BLEND

*97% Cabernet Franc,
3% Cabernet Sauvignon*

AGED

21 months

OAK

40% new French oak

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<i>5.0 g/l</i>	<i>3.79</i>	<i>13.96%</i>

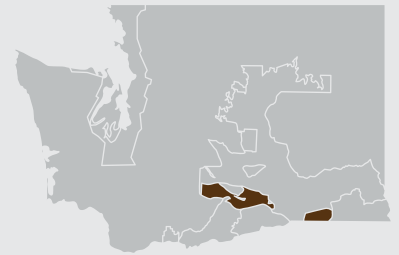
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WALLA WALLA VALLEY AVA

72% Browne Estate Vineyard • Deep, silt loam soils that hold moisture exceptionally paired with the diurnal shift—hot days and long, cool nights, which capture great acids and sugars – results in wines with concentrated and well-pronounced flavor.

YAKIMA VALLEY AVA

27% Skyfall Vineyard, 1% Mirage Vineyard • One of the most diverse wine grape growing regions in Washington, its location in the rain shadow gives the AVA 300 days of sun per year which leads to wines with naturally bright acidity and fruity characteristics.



2015 – 93 POINTS, *James Suckling*

2015 – DOUBLE GOLD MEDAL, 94 POINTS,
San Francisco International Wine Competition