

# WATERBROOK

WALLA WALLA, WASHINGTON

*Reserve*

2017 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

COLUMBIA VALLEY

## TASTING NOTE

"Aromas of blueberry and leather open to flavors of sage, sweet oak and fern frond. Flavors of mocha, berry pie and black pepper linger on the delightfully dry finish. This big and fruity Cabernet will pair perfectly with leg of lamb, roasted duck, wild game and, of course, fatty steaks."

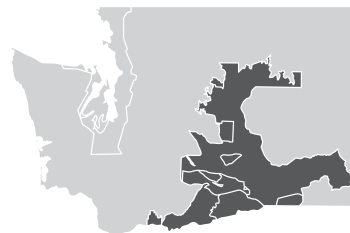
– John Freeman, Winemaker

## 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 2nd.

## VINEYARDS

- Mirage, Browne Estate Vineyard, Lodmell, Blue Mountain Vineyard
- Known for its many and varied microclimates (cool, warm, windy, hilly, flat), Columbia Valley is the umbrella AVA under which many of the state's sub-AVAs fall.



## WINEMAKING

Aging: 21 months in 33% New French and American oak

Alcohol: 14.27%

TA: 5.7 g/l PH: 3.93

## ACCLAIM

2017 93 POINTS, James Suckling

