



WOODWARD CANYON

EST. 1981

WALLA WALLA VALLEY

2015 "ARTIST SERIES #24" CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Our Woodward Canyon "Artist Series" began in 1992 with the intent to showcase the finest cabernet sauvignon in Washington State and has since become our flagship wine. The vineyards used in the "Artist Series" are among the oldest and most highly regarded in the state, typical vine age is around 25 years old. The label changes every year with work from a different artist from the Pacific Northwest. This wine is a full-bodied cabernet, typically aging 10-15 years from vintage. Produced and bottled on site at Woodward Canyon Winery.

CURRENT AND PAST SCORES

91+ Points, *Vinous*

"Saturated ruby. Sexy nose combines cassis, crushed-stone minerality, tobacco leaf, dark chocolate and menthol. Alluringly sweet, plush flavors of cassis, plum, dark raspberry, spices, licorice, dark chocolate and glossy oak are complicated by slightly medicinal notes of kirsch, menthol and herbs. Offers noteworthy density and depth and finishes with rather powerful broad, dusty tannins."

91 Points, *Cellar Selection, Wine Enthusiast*

This wine is a blend of fruit from Woodward Canyon Estate, Champoux, Sagemoor and Spring Creek vineyards. Despite seeing just 50% new oak, aromas of baking spice and vanilla are at the fore at present, in front of notes of herb and cherry. The palate brings a suave feel, with a lovely sense of texture, dipping in the middle before coming back together."

VINEYARDS

Woodward Canyon Estate Vineyard

Established in 1976, Woodward Canyon is the western most vineyard in Walla Walla Valley AVA, roughly 15 miles west of Walla Walla Washington. 42 vineyard acres planted and several more acres of green belts supporting native species such as western juniper, ponderosa pine, western sage brush, arrow leaf balsam root, and perennial wildflowers. Ritzville silt loam over fractured basalt, slope 15-18%. 750-850ft elevation. Managed by Woodward Canyon.

Champoux Vineyard

Founded in 1972 and located in Alderdale Washington within the Horse Heaven Hills AVA. Woodward Canyon has been sourcing from Champoux since 1981. In 1996 Woodward Canyon and fellow Washington State producers Powers/Badger Mountain Winery, Quilceda Creek Winery and Andrew Will Winery became joint owners. Malaga gravelly fine sandy loam - glacial outwash; warden silt loam - loess over lacustrine deposits; Sagehill fine sandy loam - lacustrine deposits with a mantle of loess. Slope 3%, 650ft elevation.

Sagemoor Vineyard:

Founded in 1968, Sagemoor Vineyards was a pioneering effort that helped establish the Washington State wine industry. Its early vineyards are among the oldest large-scale plantings of vinifera grapes in the State. Rick has been sourcing from Sagemoor since his days as a home winemaker in the 1970's. Quincy loamy fine sand 0-15% slope, Sagehill very fine sandy loam, 2-10% slope. 572ft elevation.



WINE DATA

Varietal composition: 78% cabernet sauvignon, 10% petit verdot, 8% cabernet franc, 4% merlot

Alcohol: 14.9%

Bottling Date: February 2018

Release Date: October 2018

Retail Price: \$59

Case Production: 1971 cases 750 ml

WINEMAKING

Hand harvested and sorted

48 hour cold soak

Fermented in 2 ton stainless steel fermenters

100% French Chateaux, 22 months

Spontaneous malo-lactic fermentation