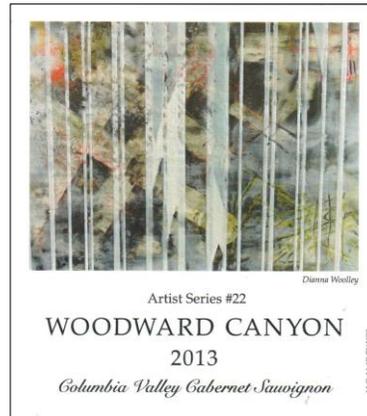


2013 “ARTIST SERIES” CABERNET SAUVIGNON

<u>Varietal Composition:</u>	87% cabernet sauvignon 11% petit verdot 2% cabernet franc
<u>Alcohol:</u>	14.4 % by volume
<u>Bottling Date:</u>	April 2014
<u>Release Date:</u>	December 2015
<u>Production:</u>	3423 cases 750 ml 240 cases 375ml 110 cases 1.5l



Vineyards:

Champoux Vineyard, Sagemoor Vineyard, Woodward Canyon Estate Vineyard, Charbonneau, Discovery, Spring Creek and Summit View.

Vintage Specific Characteristics:

The 2013 vintage was smaller and warmer for Washington State, yet at the same time gave surprising quality given the seasonal warmth. Beautifully mature fruit was achieved through rigorous shoot thinning, leaf stripping and green harvesting.

All grapes were harvested by hand, sorted and de-stemmed. This Cabernet Sauvignon was fermented in small stainless steel tanks and was punched down or pumped over twice a day. Aging in French Chateaux barrels has produced a well proportioned, complex and generous red wine. We have consciously chosen to use slightly less new French oak as these vineyards have gotten older; thus allowing the wine to express varietal typicity and a very distinct sense of place.

Production Notes and General Characteristics:

This “Artist Series” Cabernet Sauvignon is produced from many of the finest and most highly regarded vineyards in Washington State and the Walla Walla Valley. Each produces fantastic wine in their own right; when blended they produce extraordinary wine.

This enticing and deeply colored red wine shows a complex nose of baking spice, black olive and graham integrated beautifully with aromas of ripe black fruits. In the mouth the wine is rich and elegant, showing subtle notes of herb and black berry. Integrated tannins enhance the texture and give proportion; the finish is complex, generous, and long. While this wine can be enjoyed now it will benefit greatly from additional cellaring and, with proper storage, should develop for ten years or more.

Reviews:

Wine Enthusiast, February 2016

The variety quickly announces itself with aromas of dark cherry and dried herbs followed by generous barrel accents. The black-fruit flavors are rich but maintain balance, with a persistence that impresses. 92

Robert Parker’s The Wine Advocate, July 2016

The 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon Artist Series is straight up terrific, with tons of black currants, plums and spice to go with background smoked herbs and toasted bread nuances. Incorporating 11% Petit Verdot and 2% Cabernet Franc, aged 20 months in 50% new French oak, this full-bodied, rich, layered beauty has a great mid-palate, a silky texture and ripe tannin, all suggesting it will have a graceful evolution. Give bottles 2-3 years and enjoy over the following 10-15 years. 94