

MERLOT

SEVEN HILLS VINEYARD

2023

Alcohol 13.6%

pH 3.73

TA 6.2g/L

Residual Sugar 0.0 g/L

TASTING NOTES

Harkening back in style to the earliest days of Merlot production in Washington State, the 2023 presents the classic lines, beautiful primary aromatics, and solid structure of bygone days. Well-built and with a strong presence, the wine's generous core of blue plum and Bing cherry ride on a chassis of supportive tannins and acid. A perfume of dark-fruited aromatics entice the senses, with berry compote, black raspberry, and licorice. Delicate baking spices of nutmeg and clove accent a sense of fresh ginger bread in the nose. Beneath all is a current of loamy minerals and silted earth, with a rush of fresh acid. The tannins land like snowflakes on the tongue, slowly melting after they make contact. With good poise, light grip, and a slow release of its delicious fruit, this Merlot will delight lovers of the old days.

VINIFICATION

Destemmed 100% and fermented in stainless tanks, with pumpovers, delestage, and occasional pneumatic extraction for gentle extract.



WINEMAKER

Brian Rudin

100% MERLOT

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WALLA WALLA VALLEY AVA

37.0% NEW OAK

HARVEST DATE

09/11/2023

185 CASES

SRP \$62.00

AGING

Aged for 18 months in new and neutral barrels.

ECHOLANDS

ECHOLANDS IS PRODUCED BY DOUG FROST & WINEMAKER BRIAN RUDIN.

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