GROUNDED WINE COMPANY Collusion

Cabernet Sauvignon

2017 COLUMBIA VALLEY - WASHINGTON

JOSH PHELPS - WINEMAKER

\$22.00

Collusion tips it's hat to the rich history of the West during Prohibition, commending those who kept the industry alive by any means.

VINTAGE

Winter and early spring were marked by cool, wet weather, which delayed the start of the 2017 growing season in Eastern Washington. Following bud break, almost two weeks later than average, canopies grew vigorously due to overly-moist soil conditions. Above-normal mid-to-late summer warmth helped slow canopy growth and ensured full ripeness for a modestly-sized harvest for all of our red Bordeaux varieties.

WINEMAKER NOTES

Alluringly deep garnet red in color, the nose of 2017 Collusion Cabernet Sauvignon is immediately generous, with deep, intense fruit in the form of sweet, ripe black plums and black cherry pie. Complex notes of clove and vanilla intertwine with these fruits on the palate, where, as the wine warms, the wine becomes increasingly velvety and luxurious. The finish, which retains freshness throughout, is long, with very subtle notes of damp forest floor, bay, and rich, black macerated fruits.

VINEYARD SOURCES

The soul of our Cabernet comes from the Kiona Vineyard on Red Mountain, lending powerful structured tannins and mountain-fruit purity. We also source from two prime properties in the Horse Heaven Hills AVA, both contributing lushness, and energy to the final blend.

COMPOSITION

75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 24% Malbec, 1% Merlot

BARREL REGIME

30% new French oak barrels

GWCo

Founded by winemaker Josh Phelps, Grounded Wine Co. is an all American, grassroots brand that strips back the layers to focus on what's in the bottle.

CASE COUNT: 3,300 CASES

ALC. BY VOL. 14.1%

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