

2017 Firehouse Red

Production 12,000 Cases

Blend 33% Syrah, 27% Cab Sauv, 18% Merlot, 11% Cab Franc, 3%

Mourvedre, 2% Grenache, 2% Counoise, 2% Sangiovese, 2%

Petit Verdot

Analysis pH - 3.65 Total Acidity - 6.00g/L Alcohol - 13.9%

Cooperage Firehouse Red is aged in 40% new oak barrels, mostly French

and American oak with a compliment of Hungarian oak, and

60% 2nd and 3rd vintage barrels.

Winemaking Crushed gently and dropped into 1.5 ton bins, cold soaked 24 to

48 hours, then inoculated with a variety of yeasts, handpunched and pressed directly to barrel, where the wine finishes both primary and secondary fermentation. Only after one year in barrel do the individual lots of wine that compose the

Firehouse Red get blended.

Tasting Notes Dark fruit on the nose, including ripe raspberry and blackberry

with notes of cocoa, anise and a soft, round mid-palate. On the palate, grippy tannin gives way to black cherry, baking spices with herbal notes, followed by sweet BBQ sauce ribs, oregano

with relaxed, dusty tannins.

Appellation Columbia Valley

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