

2015 K Broncho Malbec

Who loves Malbec? The flavors are black and purple. Spice exists in the mouth, deep rich saturated, seamless. Profound. Broncho.

Current & Past Scores

93 Points, Jeb Dunnuck

"Plums, blueberries, crushed rock-like minerality, and a liquid violet character all emerge from the 2015 Malbec Broncho Stoneridge Vineyard, which has more texture and depth than most. Medium to full-bodied, fresh and lively, with beautiful purity of fruit, it's another terrific wine."

93 Points, Robert Parker's Wine Advocate (v2013)

"Another terrific wine released under the Charles Smith label is the 2013 Malbec Stoneridge Vineyard Broncho. Made from 100% Malbec and aged mostly in neutral barrels, this beauty offers lots of black and blue fruits, violets, scorched earth and licorice in a full-bodied, concentrated, impeccably balanced profile. As a whole, the state hasn't really figured Malbec out, but this is a terrific wine and one of the best examples of the variety out there."

Vineyard

The vineyards we work with are farmed using the most up to date sustainable practices.

Stoneridge Vineyard (100%): Alluvial fan gravel bed, the site rests above the flood plain of the Columbia River. Under the topsoil is a layer of caliche and basalt 6-12" deep, creating a calcium and iron rich media that forces roots to struggle.

Vintage

The 2015 harvest was the warmest vintage in recorded history, with fantastic viticulture and a great extended harvest. Because of this, we were able to make some of the most incredible wines to date. The vintage was dry and long with an early bud break and late harvest that had cool evenings to guarantee incredible quality. The 2015 wines have big complex flavors, good acidity and great balance.

Blend

100% Malbec

Appellation

Washington State

Production

Yield: 2.7 tons per acre

100% whole berry fermentation

Yeast: native 41 days on skins

50% new, 50% neutral French barriques

22 months barrel-aged on lees

Wine Analysis

5.9 g/L titratable acidity 3.65 pH

14.5% alcohol

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