



2015 K El Jefe Tempranillo

Bullfight in the sand. This very earthbound wine is all that. Rich, meaty, dark cherry, jerky, tumbled river rock. The warmth of a fading sun. This wine may speak Spanish, but it is pure Washington.

Current & Past Scores

93 Points, *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate*

"The 2015 El Jefe Tempranillo Stoneridge Vineyard is generous and fruit-forward, leading with notes of ripe cherries, strawberry preserve and subtle hints of candied peel. On the palate, it's full-bodied, ample and succulent, with juicy fruit overlaying fine-grained but savory, chewy varietal tannins."

94 Points, *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate (v2013)*

"The 100% varietal 2013 El Jefe Tempranillo Stoneridge Vineyard (23 months in 40% new oak) is another terrific example of this variety in Washington, and while there's not many Tempranillo based releases out there, the ones that are seriously good. This 2013 gives up lots of darker fruits (black currants maybe), lots of spicy oak, toasted spice and licorice to go with a full bodied, elegant, sexy profile on the palate. It continues to open up with time in the glass, and the tannin, while present, are incredibly polished and perfectly ripe. Feel free to drink bottles anytime over the coming decade."

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 in Washington State started with an early spring bud break and continued into a warm summer. Although it started early and was a very warm year, the Fall turned out to be long and temperate, which gave great ripening to our fruit, bright acid, low alcohol and beautiful complexity.

Blend

100% Tempranillo

Appellation

Columbia Valley

Production

Yield: 2.6 tons per acre
Whole berry fermentation
Yeast: native
35 days on skins
50% new, 50% neutral barriques
21 months barrel-aged on lees

Wine Analysis

4.3 g/L titratable acidity
3.89 pH
14.5% alcohol

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