

K VINTNERS

2017 K THE BOY GRENACHE

TASTING NOTES BY WINEMAKER CHARLES SMITH

Brilliant color and amazing nose. The entry is pure silk, red plum, cold ash, camphor and pine needles. It continues to unfold with complexity. Pain grillé, warm earth, gun powder. Exotic. Satisfying. Profound.

VINTAGE NOTES

2017 was a fantastic year for making wine with a cool spring and a fair amount of rain. Washington had an ideal spring for healthy vines. The moderate temperatures during summer were perfect for small clusters and yet delayed veraison into the fall where we had a consistent ripening season that allowed us to hang the fruit for perfect tannin and flavor without losing acidity or acquiring too much alcohol. Overall it was a vintage to remember.

CURRENT & PAST SCORES

96 Points, *Jeb Dunnuck*

“Made from 100% Powerline Vineyard (since 2015), the 2017 Grenache The Boy Powerline Vineyard sports a lighter ruby hue as well as Rayas-like notes of decayed flowers, kirsch liqueur, licorice, and cured meats. Seamless, medium-bodied, and beautifully polished, with fine tannins, it’s a stunning, Burgundian example of this variety to enjoy over the coming 15-20 years. There are a little over 1,000 cases produced.”

93 Points, *James Suckling*

“This is a really intense red with white pepper, meat, grilled meat and red fruit. Green cloves, too. Full body, chewy tannins and a flavorful finish. Partial whole-berry fermentation. Drink or hold.”

WINEMAKING

Varietal Breakdown: 100% Grenache

Appellation: Walla Walla Valley

Vineyard(s): Powerline Estate Vineyard (100%)

Production: 2.5 tons per acre | Native yeast | 100% whole cluster pressed | 48 days on skins | 100% neutral French oak puncheons | 18 months barrel-aged on lees

Wine Analysis: 5.3 g/L titratable acidity | 3.98 pH | 14.5% alcohol | No residual sugar

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