

# K VINTNERS

## 2017 K THE CREATOR CABERNET SAUVIGNON-SYRAH

### TASTING NOTES BY WINEMAKER CHARLES SMITH

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A majestic Cabernet-led wine. Black currant, black olive, tobacco leaf, No. 2 Pencil lead, terrific structure, classic in presence, cedar cigar box and damp earth. ALL HAIL THE CREATOR.



### VINTAGE NOTES

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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

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**94 Points, *James Suckling***

“This is a pretty blend of 75% cabernet sauvignon and 25% syrah with spice, tobacco and currant character. It’s full-bodied with compact, polished tannins. Drink or hold.”

**93 Points, *Wine Spectator***

“Structured, with a simmering backbone, framed by currant, black olive and crushed stone accents that build richness toward medium-grained tannins. Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah. Best from 2022 through 2029.

### WINEMAKING

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**Varietal Breakdown:** 75% Cabernet Sauvignon; 25% Syrah (co-fermented)

**Appellation:** Walla Walla Valley

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

**Production:** 2.4 tons per acre | Native yeast | 100% whole berry fermentation (Cabernet Sauvignon | 100% whole cluster pressed (Syrah) | 49 days on skins | 67% new French oak barriques | 22 months barrel-aged on lees

**Wine Analysis:** 5.6 g/L titratable acidity | 3.99 pH | 14.0% alcohol | No residual sugar

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