

2017 K Powerline Viognier

Exotic aromas rise from the glass. Mango, orange peel and honeysuckle lead the parade to the palate. Supple, pleasing with depth, elegance and hints of apricot, apple blossom, star anise and a kiss of brioche. Carry this all the way to the long satisfying finish. This Viognier is a true revelation.

Current & Past Scores

94 Points, Jeb Dunnuck (formerly of Robert Parker's Wine Advocate)

"All barrel fermented (10-15% new French oak) the 2017 Viognier Powerline is a Condrieu-like effort that has beautiful notes of musky pineapple, caramelized orange, and honeyed flower notes. Rich, medium to full-bodied, textured, and beautifully balanced, it's a stunning Viognier to drink over the coming 2-3 years."

92 Points, James Suckling

"This is edgy and dynamic with sliced apples, lemons and honey. Medium to full body. Transparent, focused finish. Rocky. Creamy texture and tropical. Drink or hold."

Vineyard

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

Powerline Vineyard (100%): A 30-acre estate vineyard, located over 1200 feet elevation. Powerline Vineyard was planted in 2012 in the foothills of the Blue Mountains, just south of Walla Walla in the Walla Walla Valley AVA. The soils are well drained with cobblestone river rocks and underlying layers of sand and gravel deposits, allowing vines to develop very deep and strong roots. The cobblestone rock was brought down river from the Blue Mountains and deposited on top of the ancient river bed. The deep sand and silt below the stones bring a great purity to the grapes, while high elevations keep acids high, producing very well-balanced wines with remarkable complex characters.

Vintage

2017 was a fantastic year for making wine with a cool spring and a fair amount of rain. Washington had an ideal spring for heathy 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.

Blend

100% Viognier

Appellation

Walla Walla Valley

Production

Yield: 2.1 tons per acre

100% whole cluster pressed

Yeast: native

10% new French oak puncheons 15 months barrel-aged on lees

Wine Analysis

4.2 g/L titratable acidity 3.97 pH 15.0% alcohol

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