



2020 K VINTNERS CABERNET SAUVIGNON POWERLINE VINEYARD

TASTING NOTES BY WINEMAKER CHARLES SMITH

Dark. Intense, brilliant, and full of character, it demands attention. Black cherry cola notes and orange blossom, bold intriguing and complex... blackberry hibiscus and prosciutto in a perfumy way... it builds and builds and delivers in ways that bring interest and thoughtfulness, a compass that points true north.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2020 vintage might be the best vintage that we have ever had in Washington state history. We had an incredible growing season that was long and temperate, allowing the fruit to ripen evenly. The wines are focused, rich, complex and lively. The reds are restrained and elegant, yet powerful with incredible tension and balance. Our white and rosé wines are wonderfully rich on the palate but balanced with enough acid to make the wines complete. We are excited to see how these wines evolve!

CURRENT SCORES

94 Points, *Jeb Dunnuck*

“...Jumps out of the glass with its savory red and black fruits as well as notes of white pepper, sandalwood, and smoked tobacco. It’s medium to full-bodied and has a beautiful sense of elegance, fine tannins, and a great finish...This incredibly complex, layered, satisfying Cabernet Sauvignon will evolve gracefully for two decades.”

94 Points, *James Suckling*

“I like the bell pepper telltale fragrance here, alongside notes of currants, green coffee beans, oregano and plums. It builds on the palate to a crescendo of flavor, retaining freshness and elegance throughout. Seamless, with a long finish. Drink from 2025.”

91 Points, *Eric Guido-Vinous*

“Round and nearly salty in character, this is crunchy and itenese, with masses of red plum and minerals adding a crunchy sensation throughout. Tannic yet not clenching, it finishes with dramatic length and potency, leaving hints of black olive and sage to linger.”

VINEYARD

Powerline Estate Vineyard (100%)

Charles planted the 38-acre estate vineyard in the heart of the Walla Walla Valley, located over 1200 feet elevation. 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 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.

WINEMAKING

Varietal Breakdown: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Appellation: Walla Walla Valley

Production: 2.2 tons per acre, native yeast, 100% whole berry fermentation in French oak tanks, 47 days on skins | 28 months barrel aged on lees in 50% new French oak barriques | 336 cases produced

Wine Analysis: 5.8 g/L titratable acidity, 3.87 pH, 13.5% alcohol, no residual sugar |

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