

2014 CASASMITH JACK'S BARBERA

Lush, dare I say creamy in texture? Black currant, rich, earth, cured meat, cold ash. Dark, delicious, earth bound wine. One of the best "the Rocks" has to offer.

Current & Past Scores

93 Points, Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

"Cranberry, dried violets, raspberries and dried flowers all emerge from the 2014 Barbera Jack's Vineyard, and this beauty is medium to full-bodied, silky and elegant, with fine tannin and a great finish. It has terrific fruit intensity but never seems heavy or cloying. Beautiful stuff, I suspect it's the best example of this variety made in the US. Drink it over the coming 2-3 years."

Vineyard

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

Jack's Vineyard (100%): Stony, ancient riverbed, located on the floor of the Walla Walla Valley. The soil is very cobbly, with Freewater cobbly loam over gravel over sand, dried riverbed. In the rocky soils of this part of the valley, low vigor keeps flavors concentrated. Planted in 1999.

Vintage

The 2014 vintage had an early spring and a wonderful, long summer with cool nights to help maintain great acidity in the grapes. Going into the Fall, temperatures cooled down quite a bit throughout the state, and we were able to hang the fruit for a long period of time before harvest. This combination allowed us to develop more complex flavors, while still maintaining the acidity to produce bright, focused wines.

Blend

100% Barbera

Appellation

Walla Walla Valley

Production

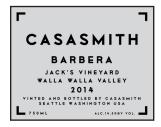
Yield: 1.2 tons per acre 100% whole berry fermentation Native yeast 37 days on skins 25% new French barriques 18 months barrel-aged on lees

Wine Analysis

6.2 g/L titratable acidity3.60 pH14.5% Alcohol

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