

SUBSTANCE

VINEYARD COLLECTION

2015 Substance Vineyard Collection Klein 'Bx' Blend

Density is the order of the day. Blue, red, black is the color. The structure is serious given what fills it. Grilled meat, dried herbs, cigar box, black cherries, a ribbon of minerality and a sense of place that could only be this wine. This is no BS. It is BX!

Current & Past Scores

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

"Lastly, the 2015 Klein BX Vineyard Collection checks in as a blend of 45% Cabernet Sauvignon, 28% Merlot, and the balance Cabernet Franc, brought up in a mix of new and used barrels. Deep purple-colored, with a thrilling bouquet of crème de cassis, toasted spice, graphite, and dried tobacco, this beauty hits the palate with medium to full-bodied richness, building yet sweet tannins, flawless balance, and a finish that goes on for over a minute. This is a tour de force in Bordeaux blends from Washington State that I wish every reader could taste. It's already accessible, with a sexy, flamboyant personality, yet it's going to keep for two decades given its balance and purity."

93 Points, *James Suckling*

"This has a forest-like nose with bracken, leaves, red berries, juniper and herbs, all interwoven. The palate has a sleek, graphite-like edge and dark berries are cast in forthright, muscular and intense tannins that hold uncompromising on the finish. A field blend of cabernet sauvignon, merlot and cabernet franc. Try from 2022."

Vineyard

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

Klein Vineyard: (100%): This vineyard is located at the Southwestern end of the Walla Walla Valley. It's volcanic rock, with thin, wind-blown loess over basalt. The high elevation, 850 feet, means it doesn't freeze and is a fairly windy site. This vineyard produces low yields and powerful, unique wines.

Vintage

The 2015 harvest was the warmest vintage in recorded history, with fantastic viticulture and a great extended harvest. Because of this, we were able to make some of the most incredible wines to date. The vintage was dry and long with an early bud break and late harvest that had cool evenings to guarantee incredible quality. The 2015 wines have big complex flavors, good acidity and great balance.

Blend

45% Cabernet Sauvignon;
28% Merlot; 27% Cabernet Franc

Appellation

Walla Walla Valley

Production

Yield: 2.0 tons per acre
100% whole berry fermentation
Yeast: native
49 days on skins
80% new French oak barriques
27 months barrel-aged on lees

Wine Analysis

5.7 g/L titratable acidity
3.74 pH
14.5% alcohol
No residual sugar

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