

# 2020 K THE BOY GRENACHE

# TASTING NOTES BY WINEMAKER CHARLES SMITH

The Boy is a wine unto itself. Individual in every way. Layer upon layer. Seamless with certainty. A masterpiece to be experienced.



## **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 & PAST SCORES**

#### 98 Points, James Suckling

"This is perfumed, with dried strawberry bush, ripe cherry, star anise, black cardamom and spiced orange peel. Lots of dried flower undertones. Its medium- to full-bodied with layers of tight but juicy tannins and bright acidity cutting through. Its so alive and vibrant, with cocoadusted red berries jumping out of the glass. It shows depth and power, but in an elegant way, with a delicate, ethereal feel. Drink or hold."

#### 91 Points, Eric Guido-Vinous

"...lifts from the glass with a dusty floral mix of crushed blackberries and white pepper. This is round and vividly fruity on the palate with brisk acids that balance nicely, as savory herbal tones resonate throughout. The Boy tapers off with subtle grippy tannins, leaving nuances of licorice and exotic spice to linger. I love the balance here."

95 Points, Jeb Dunnuck (v2019)

## VINEYARD

#### **Powerline Estate Vineyard** (100%)

Charles planted the 38-acre estate vineyard in the heart of the Walla Walla Valley, located at 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% Grenache Appellation: Walla Walla Valley

**Production**: 2.3 tons per acre, native yeast, 100% whole cluster fermentation in concrete tank, 51 days on skins I 19 months barrel-aged on lees in 100% neutral French oak demi

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Wine Analysis: 5.1 g/L titratable acidity, 3.95 pH, 14% alcohol, no residual sugar

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