

Matthews

2016 Cabernet Sauvignon



Matthews Cabernet Sauvignon is a Washington-born nod to the classic Left Bank blends of Bordeaux and Medoc. An incredibly selective blending process allows us to produce a wine that is structured, but remarkably balanced. Cabernet Sauvignon leads the way, with Cabernet Franc and a touch of Merlot rounding out the blend and smoothing any rough edges. Beautiful, explosive aromatics announce the wine before you even pour it, and that opulence is replicated in the dense, vibrant mouthfeel.

Bordeaux-style blends are famously terroir driven, and ours is no exception. Cabernet loves to grow in Washington, where our arid climate, large temperature swings and long growing seasons give us the powerfully ripe fruit you'd expect from California, with more balance, complexity and freshness you'd expect from a French blend. Matthews Cabernet, in particular, is characterized by its intense spice, silky texture and excellent transitions.

"Fresh crushed flowers, sappy nuances, and baked berry-biscuit aromas, leading to a palate that has a lithe and succulent texture with plenty of sustained berry flavor."

-91 points, James Suckling, jamesuckling.com

SELECT VINEYARDS

- ① Columbia Valley AVA Stillwater Creek Vineyard, Dionysus Vineyard, Bacchus Vineyard
- ② Red Mountain AVA Canyons Vineyard, Hedges Vineyard, Angela's Vineyard
- ③ Walla Walla Valley AVA Blue Mountain Vineyard

AVA	Columbia Valley
Case Production	257
Varietal Breakdown	89% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Cabernet Franc, 3% Merlot, 1% Petit Verdot
Fermentation	72% concrete, 28% stainless steel
Aging	60% new French oak for 21 months
Drinkability	Now - 2029
Alcohol	14.4%
Retail	\$44

