



# BALBOA WINERY

## WALLA WALLA VALLEY

## 2017 Constrictor

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### Tasting Notes

- cherry – blackberry - stone fruits – bramble - cooking herbs - roasted game - blueberry – ripe tannins - lingering acidity -

### Production Notes

The 2017 Balboa Constrictor combines fruit from two of our three Estate Vineyards, with Malbec from Stone Valley Vineyard. All of the fruit is sourced from the 'Rock District of Milton-Freewater'.

### Vineyards

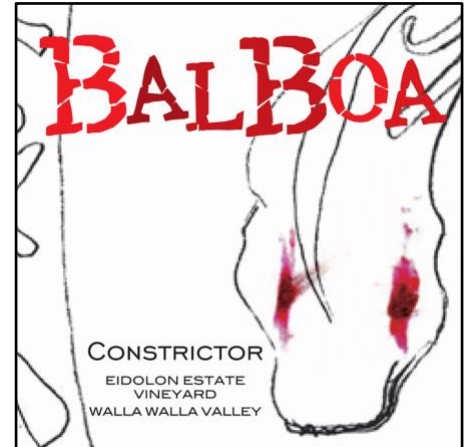
- Estate Eidolon Vineyard, 'Rocks District of Milton-Freewater' Walla Walla Valley
- Estate Yellow Jacket Vineyard, 'Rocks District of Milton-Freewater' Walla Walla Valley
- Stone Valley Vineyard, 'Rocks District of Milton-Freewater' Walla Walla Valley

### Winemaking

- Hand harvested grapes
- Picked early in the morning
- Small lot fermentations in stainless steel tanks
- The cap was manually punched down twice a day
- The wine was aged for 24 months in French Oak barrels
- Cross flow filtration prior to bottling

### Vintage

- Warm spring temperatures lead to early bud break
- Moderate temperatures in the early summer allowed for ideal bloom and fruit set
- Cooler than average temperatures in the early summer allowed fruit to ripen gradually, leading to lower sugars and higher natural acidity
- These cooler temperatures extended the growing season for optimal flavor development across all varieties
- Harvest started on September 2<sup>nd</sup> and continued into mid-October



### Wine Data

*Appellation*.....Walla Walla Valley  
*Varietal/Style*.....Red Blend  
*Composition*.....46% Syrah  
.....29% Petit Verdot  
.....14% Malbec  
.....11% Cabernet Sauvignon  
*Vineyards*.....Estate Eidolon Vineyard  
.....Estate Yellow Jacket  
.....Stone Valley Vineyard  
*Vintage*.....2017

### Technical Notes

*pH*.....3.90  
*Total Acidity* ..... 6.0 g/L  
*Alcohol*..... 14.4%  
*Harvest Date*.....9/25-10/16  
*Bottling Date*.....August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020