



# BALBOA WINERY

## WALLA WALLA VALLEY

## 2017 Carmenère

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### Tasting Notes

• blackberry • black currant • dried roses • sweet tobacco • white pepper • spiced incense • dark cocoa • graphite • roasted nuts • mulberry •

### Production Notes

A lesser-known Bordeaux varietal, the 2017 Carmenère continues our tradition showcasing the unique and complex notes of this once-prominent varietal.

### Vineyards

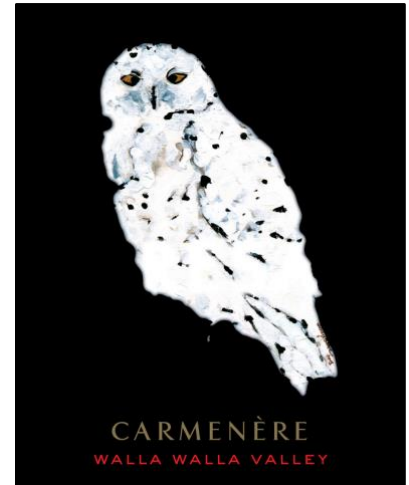
• Summit View Vineyard, Walla Walla Valley

### 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 18 months in French Oak barrels
- Cross flow filtration prior to bottling

### Vintage

- 2017 was overall a moderate year delaying harvest by about a week
- The vintage started with a cool, wet spring with bud break occurring in early April.
- Bloom occurred in early June catching up with the long-term averages
- August temperatures were slightly warmer than average increasing fruit maturation with cooler nights to retain natural acids
- Harvest started on September 13th lasting through the end of October



### Wine Data

*Appellation*.....Walla Walla Valley  
*Composition*..... 100% Carmenère  
*Vineyards*.....Summit View Vineyard  
*Vintage*.....2017

### Technical Notes

*pH*.....3.90  
*Total Acidity*.....5.7 g/L  
*Alcohol*.....14.5%  
*Harvest Date*..... October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
*Bottling Date*..... June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
*Production*.....340 cases

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