

2015

MERLOT
COLUMBIA VALLEY



MARKET VINEYARDS HISTORY

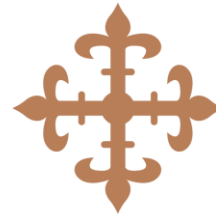
Market Vineyards is a dream brought to life by five partners, Steve Anderson and Daniel Schulte of Kansas City, and Matt Riesenweber, Bob Bertsch, and Kelly Precechtel Bright of Washington State.

Four of the partners have backgrounds in the financial market's arena and the other in custom construction. Their attention to detail and quality comes second nature. While vacationing, the partners sat on the rooftop of the Beijing Hotel overlooking the Forbidden City sampling a large variety of wines. The rooftop view was no less than world-class. Glass in hand, they decided to create a wine that matched the atmosphere they were enjoying. Their passion for wine led to the creation of the handcrafted wines they share with you today.

WINEMAKING PHILOSOPHY

Market Vineyards' philosophy is reflected by their choice in having one of Washington State's industry leaders, Charlie Hoppes, as their winemaker.

Market Vineyards takes pride on being able to have access to hand-picked fruit sourced from premier Washington State vineyards located in the Columbia Valley and Red Mountain growing regions. The attention to detail and premium quality is not just noticed in the fruit chosen but also in the artistic abilities in the cellar. Custom French and American barrels are hand-selected so they are properly matched for each vintage that is produced.



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Benchmark

An impressive array of flavor, texture and complexity this merlot has a well-focused structure with aromas of dark, ripe fruit, which leads into caramel notes. On the palate are dense flavors of lusciously rich fruit and barrel spices, accented by a touch of smoky leather on the back end. The wine is balanced and well structured with flavors that are opulent while exemplifying supple tannins and enchanting fruit. Each of these vineyards contributes a terroir of unique flavors and layers of spice to the fresh ripe fruit. The complexity of soft tannins reveals a savory finish that lingers on the palate. This wine will age gracefully and will only deepen over time. Drink now through 2027.

VARIETALS:

Merlot 100%

VINEYARDS:

Gamache Vineyards 34%
Hightower 33%
Red Heaven 33%

ALCOHOL: 14.8%

CASES: 147

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