

# NOVELTY HILL

## 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon Stillwater Creek Vineyard

### Tasting Notes

This rich, full-bodied Cabernet Sauvignon is an expressive wine with spicy, black currant aromas. On the palate, fresh raspberries and ripe, dark fruit flavors combine with refined tannins that persist across a long, elegant finish.

- Mike Januik, Winemaker

### Vintage

The 2012 vintage produced impeccable wines with excellent color and flavor, thanks to an outstanding growing season. Spring 2012 temperatures were relatively cool but rose quickly, and by summer the weather was remarkably consistent. Early July temperatures were warm and stayed that way through harvest. Small berries packed with intense flavor matured beautifully, and the resulting flavor profiles were spot-on.

### Vineyard

Novelty Hill's family-owned estate vineyard, Stillwater Creek, is a steep, south-facing site on the Royal Slope of the Frenchman Hills in Washington State's Columbia Valley. With the goal of growing world-class wine grapes through clonal selection and careful vineyard management, the site is known for its top quality grapes. In 2010, Washington wine critic Paul Gregutt named Stillwater Creek one of the Top 20 vineyards in the state.

### Winemaking

- Hand-picked and fermented in small lots
- Gentle pumpovers during fermentation helped extract generous color and flavor while producing soft, supple tannins
- Aged 21 months in 75% French oak (45% new); 25% American oak (15% new) barrels

**Blend** 96% Cabernet Sauvignon  
2% Merlot  
2% Malbec

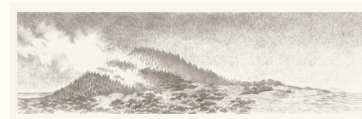
**Cases** 265

**Alcohol** 14.4%

**pH** 3.72

**Total Acidity** 0.56 g/100 ml

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