

# NOVELTY HILL

## 2015 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, STILLWATER CREEK VINEYARD

### TASTING NOTES

A rich, layered wine with dark fruit aromas and flavors that gain focus on the palate. Black currant, juicy plum, and toasted spice stretch across a textured mouthfeel and linger on an expressive finish.

- *Mike Januik, Winemaker*

### VINTAGE

The Columbia Valley enjoyed another warm growing season in 2015. Careful canopy management in the vineyard throughout the summer shaded the grapes from too much afternoon sun, and though warm daytime temperatures persisted throughout the fall, the days were offset by the Columbia Valley's cool autumn nights. The conditions combined to slow ripening just enough to develop full physiological maturity in the fruit resulting in fresh, concentrated grapes with excellent natural acidity.

### 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. Washington wine critic Paul Gregutt named Stillwater Creek one of the Top 20 vineyards in the state.

### WINEMAKING

- Hand-picked grapes fermented in small lots
- Gentle pump overs during fermentation used to extract color and flavor while producing soft, supple tannins
- Aged 21 months in 85% French oak (40% new); 15% American oak (5% new) barrels

Blend                    95% Cabernet Sauvignon  
                              5% Malbec

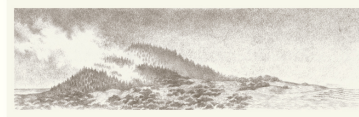
Cases                    488

Alcohol                 14.4%

pH                        3.75

Total Acidity         0.57 g/100 ml

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