

# ANDREW JANUIK

## 2015 Stone Cairn Cabernet Sauvignon

### VINTAGE

Over the course of the last four vintages, the Columbia Valley has seen a shift from two of the cooler vintages in 2010 and 2011 to the two warmest vintages of the last ten years in 2014 and 2015, an early bud break was followed by warm temperatures that persisted through the summer into the fall. Harvest started earlier than most vintages and finished 10 days earlier than normal. Added warmth has helped create wines that are intensely aromatic with very concentrated flavors.

### VINEYARDS

Obelisco, Quintessence and Ciel du Cheval are all considered to be among the best vineyards in the Red Mountain AVA. These particular vineyards always express the *terroir* of Red Mountain especially well. The rich soils, dependable air drainage, and limited rainfall result in highly concentrated berries with dense skins, rich inky color, and daring complexity.

### WINEMAKER

Though this is my fifth vintage as an independent producer, I am fortunate enough to come from a family involved with Washington winemaking for the last four decades. I've had the invaluable opportunity of learning both the science and art of winemaking from two of the state's most highly regarded winemakers: Mike Januik and Scott Moeller. In recent years I have worked tirelessly to hone a unique style that best fits my palate and produces what I consider to be elegant and well-balanced wines.

### TASTING NOTES

This deep purple wine is overflowing with cassis, black raspberry and chocolate notes. It is multi-layered and textured with flavors that range from spice to mocha and dark fruit. The finish is long and brimming with the bright acidity and supple tannins that are indicative of Red Mountain. Enjoy this wine from now until 2035.

### 2014 Stone Cairn Ratings

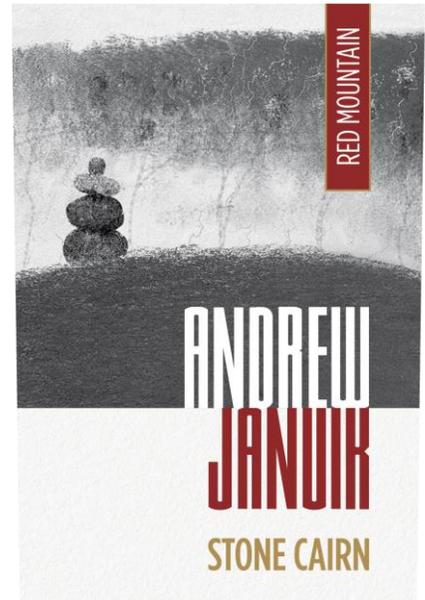
- Wine Advocate- 90 Points
- Wine Enthusiast- 90 Points
- International Wine Report- 93 Points
- International Wine Cellar- 90 Points

### 2013 Stone Cairn Ratings

- Wine Spectator- 92 Points
- Wine & Spirits- 94 Points
- International Wine Report- 93 Points
- Wine Advocate- 91 Points
- Wine Enthusiast- 90 Points

### 2012 Stone Cairn Ratings

- Wine Spectator- 92 Points
- Wine Enthusiast- 91 Points
- Wine Advocate- 91 Points

**Blend:**

94% Cabernet Sauvignon  
4% Merlot  
2% Cabernet Franc

**Cases:** 683

**TA:** 0.56

**pH:** 3.74

**Barrels:**

55% New French  
45% Once-used French

**Aging:** 22 months in barrel