

# ABEJA



## 2018 CABERNET SAUVIGNON COLUMBIA VALLEY

### 94 POINTS – DECANTER

The pure varietal character is evident as sagebrush flavours are deftly woven together with tar, black liquorice and blackberry cordial. Seamless and rich. . .

### 93 POINTS – VINOUS

“Delightful now for its combination of weight and tension, this outstanding Columbia Valley Cabernet Sauvignon has a long way to go in the cellar.”

### 93 POINTS – WINE SPECTATOR

“A handsome red, refined yet stylish, with polished blackberry, olive and dusky spice flavors that build tension toward fine-grained tannins.”

### 93 POINTS – WINE ENTHUSIAST

Editor’s Choice “ An outright delicious offering of the variety, with lots of pure hedonism but no shortage of class.”

## VINTAGE OVERVIEW

After a slow start to spring, the 2018 growing season warmed quickly with temperatures staying quite warm before moderating significantly in early September. Harvest conditions were ideal as the Columbia Valley settled into a pattern of warm days and cool nights that slowed ripening enough to allow the grapes to mature fully while retaining the fruit’s natural acidity

## HARVEST DATES & VINEYARDS

September 11 – October 30, 2018

Sagemoor, StoneTree, Heather Hill Estate, Mill Creek Estate, Kiona Heart of the Hill

## BARREL FERMENTATION & AGING

Aged 21 months in French oak

40% new, 60% experienced

## VARIETAL COMPOSITION

88% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Merlot, 1% Cabernet Franc

## APPELLATION

Columbia Valley

## CHEMISTRY

Alcohol 14.3%, pH 3.88, TA 5.58 g/L

## CASE PRODUCTION

4,126 cases

## WINEMAKERS

Daniel Wampfler & Amy Alvarez-Wampfler