

Matthews

2013 Cabernet Sauvignon

Matthews Cabernet Sauvignon is a Washington-born nod to the classic left bank blends of Bordeaux. Utilizing selective blending of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Cabernet Franc allows us to produce a wine that is structured, balanced, and simultaneously elegant and enjoyable.

To produce the flavor profile that is our goal This wine gets a bit of extra love and care in the winery. The grapes are sorted twice because clean fruit produces clean, fruit-driven wine. We ferment in concrete, to add depth and to balance ripeness with smoothness. Our 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon was barrel aged for 20 months in barrels custom designed especially for this wine. This process creates a complete wine that epitomizes the power and grace of Bordeaux varietals in Washington.

“This is a big, opulent wine that presents with a deep ruby color and loads of ripe black fruit—Cassis, cherry, currant and plum skin. The barrel notes are not subtle either, with tobacco, truffles, and cedar coming through on both the nose and palate. But despite all that show, it’s a very composed wine. When contrasted with the sultry, contemplative Matthews Merlot—a right bank inspired Bordeaux blend—the Cabernet is powerful and showy, but still easy to approach and easy to drink. This wine will hit its prime drinking window at around 5 years and continue to show in its youthful form through 12 or even 14 years.”

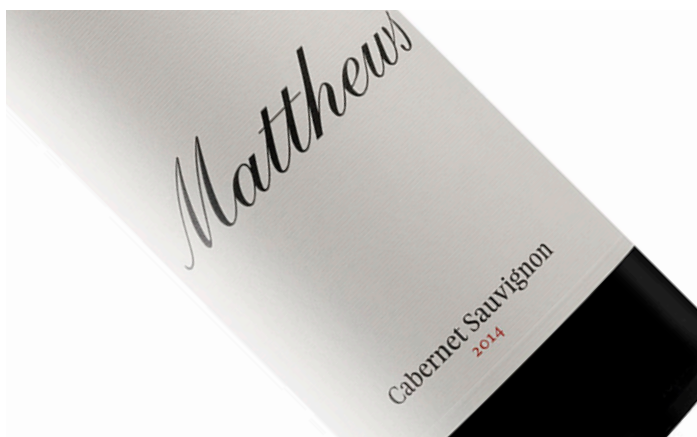
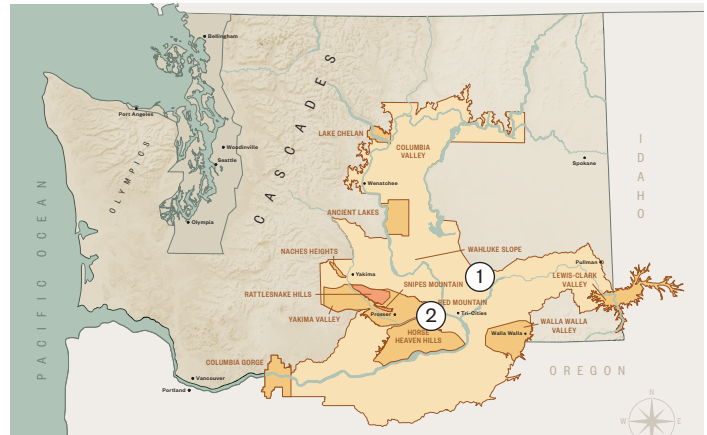
-ARYN MORELL, WINEMAKER

SELECT VINEYARDS

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| ① | Columbia Valley AVA | Stillwater Creek Vineyard, |
| ② | Red Mountain AVA | Hedges Vineyard |

"Its healthy ruby/purple color is followed by an incredibly polished, silky, seamless Cabernet that has lots of crème de cassis, sweet oak, crushed flower, and graphite aromas and flavors. Made in a relatively forward, elegant and charming style, it still has the density, balance and tannin to drink well for 10-15 years."

- Jeb Dunnuck, *The Wine Advocate*, **94 points**



Production	319 Cases
Release Date	April 2016
Blend	85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Cabernet Franc, 3% Merlot
Vinification	100% Concrete Tanks
Aging	100% New French Oak Barrels, 20 months
Alcohol	14.8%
Retail	\$55