



2015 PATTERSON CELLARS BDX BORDEAUX BLEND



TECHNICAL DATA

AVA: Columbia Valley

VARIETAL COMPOSITION: 37% Cabernet Sauvignon, 26% Merlot, 22% Cabernet Franc, 11% Malbec, 3% Petit Verdot

VINEYARD SOURCES: Quintessence, Red Heaven, Conner Lee, Alder Ridge, Stillwater Creek, Seven Hills

CELLAR TREATMENT: 100% French oak, 25% new

PRODUCTION: 330 cases

ALCOHOL: 15.0% by volume

TASTING NOTES

Inky garnet in color, our 2015 BDX Bordeaux-style blend opens with aromas of vanilla bean, lavender, and dark cherries, with subtle hints of rosemary and pepper. Mouthwatering flavors of sweet blackberries and dark cherries dominate, with undertones of ripe blueberries, pomegranates, plums, and toffee. The full mouthfeel is wrapped in fine, silky tannins and transitions seamlessly into a smooth, easy finish.

PRODUCTION NOTES

BDX is one of my favorite wines to make, primarily because the blending gives us such a great chance to bring together the best attributes of each of the component wines. The core of this wine remains very similar to the 2014 vintage, with Cab Sauv from Quintessence and Merlot from Red Heaven providing the base and solid backbone of dark fruits. Cab Franc makes a return this year, with fruit from Alder Ridge and Conner Lee Vineyards contributing herbal and peppery influences to the blend. The blueberries and depth come from the Malbec, this year from Stillwater Creek. Finally, Seven Hills Vineyard Petit Verdot contributes deep color, the opening floral notes and some of the sweetness.



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