



## 2016 PATTERSON CELLARS BDX BORDEAUX BLEND



### TECHNICAL DATA

AVA: Columbia Valley

VARIETAL COMPOSITION: 52% Cabernet Sauvignon, 21% Merlot, 18% Cabernet Franc, 6% Malbec, 3% Petit Verdot

VINEYARD SOURCES: Quintessence, Red Heaven, Seven Hills, Ciel du Cheval, Dineen, Alder Ridge

CELLAR TREATMENT: 100% French oak, 25% new

PRODUCTION: 400 cases

ALCOHOL: 15.0% by volume

### TASTING NOTES

Our 2016 BDX Bordeaux-style blend opens with intense aromas of dark berries, chocolate, cedar and lavender, with subtle hints of vanilla, rosemary, sage, and minerals. Mouthwatering flavors of sweet blackberries and dark cherries dominate, with undertones of ripe blueberries, pomegranates, black currants, plums, and vanilla. The full mouthfeel is wrapped in fine, silky tannins and transitions seamlessly into a long, smooth and 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 recent past vintages, with Cab Sauv from Quintessence and Merlot from Red Heaven and famed Ciel du Cheval providing the base and solid backbone of dark fruits. Cab Franc from Dineen and Alder Ridge contribute classic herbal and peppery influences to the blend. The blueberries and depth come from the Malbec, this year from Seven Hills Vineyard. Seven Hills Petit Verdot rounds out the blend this year, contributing deep color, the opening floral notes and some of the sweetness on the palate.



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