

CASTLE & CROWN

C E L L A R S

2021 Blue Mountain Cabernet Franc

Royal Slope AVA

Vineyard

Situated at the base of Walla Walla's Blue Mountains, this site practices sustainable farming methods with much of the work accomplished by hand as they move towards biodynamic farming practices. This site sits at about 1265 feet in elevation and is low yielding.

Winemaking

Grapes were picked in the cool morning hours and transported back to the winery where they were destemmed as whole berries. Fermentation occurred with native yeast, while twice daily pumpovers proceeded twice daily punch downs. A delestage or rack and return was enacted at 15 Brix for tannin management and the wine was pressed to taste.

Maturation occurred in a second fill French oak puncheon for two years. Aged on the lees.

Tasting Notes

Blackberry, raspberry cola, baking spice, and crushed gravel. Fine grained tannins and a luxurious mouthfeel.

Production Notes

Blend: 100% Cabernet Franc

Harvest Date: September 27th, 2021

Vineyard/AVA: Blue Mountain Vineyard, Walla Walla Valley AVA

pH: 3.8 | **TA:** 5.5g/L

ABV: 13.2

