

# Sagelands

Established in 1984, Sagelands embodies Washington State's winemaking legacy by sourcing the finest grapes from the four corners of the Columbia Valley and handcrafting them into wines of outstanding quality and value.

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## Wine & Spirits

### DARK SHADOW CABERNET SAUVIGNON

2016 • COLUMBIA VALLEY

#### TASTING NOTE

A deep, inky purple, this Cabernet Sauvignon shows a wonderful smoky nose with accents of cedar, spice and dark chocolate. Black cherry and dark fruit notes on the palate leave you with a smoky finish of oak and vanilla.

#### ABOUT THE VINTAGE

The 2016 growing season started quickly with warm temperatures across Washington, encouraging vigorous vine development. By late June, however, temperatures cooled considerably, creating optimal growing conditions for fruit maturation. In late summer, rain came to the vineyard and helped ease vine stress, while the vineyard teams worked tirelessly to ensure the canopies and fruit clusters would produce top quality grapes. White varietals will express lush, tropical notes.

#### VINEYARD SOURCES

*Willow Crest, Goose Ridge, Skyfall Vineyard*

Known for its many and varied microclimates (cool, warm, windy, hilly, flat), Columbia Valley is the umbrella AVA under which many of the state's sub-AVAs fall. While it contains 99% of wine grapes grown in Washington State, 6,851 of its acres are unique to the Columbia Valley and don't overlap another sub-AVA in the state.

#### WINEMAKING

Harvest Date: *Oct. 12 – Nov. 23, 2016*

Varietal Blend: *86% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Syrah, 3% Grenache*

Oak & Aging: *Aged 14 months in 20% New American Oak*

PH: 3.86   TA: 5.00 g/L   Alc. 13.59%

