Barons

2011 Columbia Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

Vintage Notes: 2011 is a cool vintage in Washington State. Many vineyards had frost damage during the winter. The summer was cool, with some vineyards recording their latest harvest on record. The grapes fully ripened expressing full, rich flavors with moderate acidity levels and low pHs, a measure of tartness. This combination is unusual and leads to pleasurable balance and longevity in the wines.

Tasting Notes: "The wine is aromatic, detailed and inviting, with the lower alcohol prevalent in 2011. A rich mix of berry and cassis dives deeply into the palate, with dark chocolate highlights. The tannins are silky and polished, and the wine seems a sure bet to cellar well until the mid-2020's."

93 Rating, Cellar Selection-Wine Enthusiast

Vintage: 2011 pH: 3.6

AVA: Columbia Valley Acidity: 5.9 g/L

Composition: Alcohol: 14.1%

83% Cab Sauv

12% Merlot Vineyards:
3% Cab Franc Bel'Villa
2% Petit Verdot Conner Lee
Hedges Estate
Winemaking: Stillwater Creek

Winemaking: 21 months in barrel;

100% New, American

Oak

Production: 578 cases

Release: November 2014

Pairings: Gruyere

Cheese, Steak with Chimichurri Sauce Aging: 10-15 years

Retail Price: \$45

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