

# *Barons*

## 2012 Petit Barone

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**Vintage Notes:** 2012 returns to a “normal” weather pattern in Washington. It was a warm, sunny, dry summer, with significant diurnal temperature swings, especially in the fall. This allowed the grapes to retain their naturally high acidity to balance the luscious, ripe fruit flavors. The balance of structure with riper fruit profiles should allow these wines to mature earlier than the 2010 and 2011 vintages, while still creating age worthy wines. This is considered a benchmark vintage in Washington.

**Tasting:** Our 2012 Petit Barone has a dark red/purple color, with ruby highlights. The nose suggests fresh black cherries, sweet forest scents and a stroll through a far-off spice bazaar. The first taste is lithe and elegant, with a precision of berry flavors and complex earthy notes. Quite inviting and utterly delicious, the tannins are round and supported by integrated acidity. Lush, but never heavy, it has a smoothness and sophistication that belies its price and a finish that is long and sweet/savory at the end.

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**Vintage:** 2012

**pH:** 3.66

**AVA:** Columbia Valley

**Acidity:** 6.2 g/L

**Composition:**

80% Merlot

20% Cab Sauv

**Alcohol:** 14.1%

**Vineyards:**

Bel’Villa

Conner Lee

Hedges Estate

Klipsun

Stillwater

**Winemaking:**

23 months in barrel;

50% New

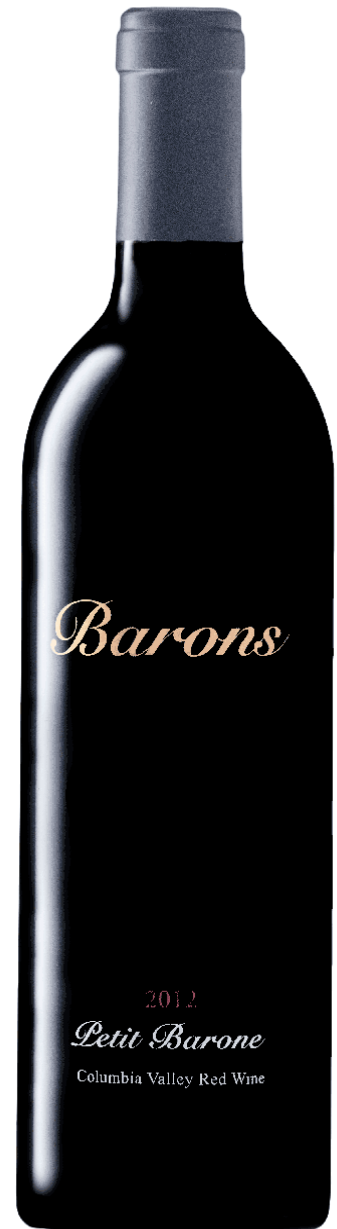
50% Neutral

American & French Oak

**Production:** 360 cases

**Release:** September 2015

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