

Barons

2016 Petit Barone

Vintage Notes: 2016 started out like it was extending the trend of another hot year, but in mid-summer the weather shifted and there was steady weather of somewhat cooler temperatures. The white grape varieties required close observation to keep a balance of naturally high acid levels and brix (the measure of sugars in the grapes); harvest came about two weeks earlier than normal. Red varieties benefitted from the extended cooler temperatures; allowing the grapes to slowly ripen, preserving freshness and elegance, closer to a more normal harvest date in mid-October through early November.

Tasting: Pleasing aromas of dark cherry meats, cocoa and barrel spice lead to rich, full-bodied dark-cherry flavors that pack a big punch. It hit a high mark.--**Sean Sullivan, 90 Rating Editors Choice— Wine Enthusiast**



Vintage: 2016

pH: 3.81

AVA: Columbia Valley

Acidity: 5.63 g/L

Composition:

76% Cab Sauv
18% Petit Verdot
6% Cab Franc

Alcohol: 14.2%

Vineyards:

Hedges Estate
Rosebud
Stone Tree

Winemaking:

100% new, French Oak
for 18 months

Production: 381 cases

Release: Spring 2020

Aging: 7-10 years

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