

Barons

2018 Petit Barone

Vintage Notes: 2018 was another warm vintage for Washington that was marked by ideal weather during the harvest season. The Columbia Valley cycled through cool and warm months at the start of the growing season. July and August temperatures were quite warm, so much so that heading into veraison, 2018 was shaping up to be among the warmest vintages on record. However, temperatures cooled considerably in September, creating ideal conditions for ripening. The result of it all was a long, drawn out harvest season.

Tasting: “This wine gets right down to business, with directly appealing notes of blackberry, cherry, herb and spice along with up-front fruit. The flavors are action-packed, showing layers of richness. It has plenty of structure and leans hedonistic.”

Sean Sullivan, *Wine Enthusiast* **91 Rating-Editor’s Choice**

“The 2018 Petit Barone is a delightful blend of 44% Cabernet Sauvignon, 25% Merlot, 21% Petit Verdot and 10% Malbec. Forward and juicy, with bright acidity, it shows black tea, exotic spice and blackberry cordial flavors alongside a nice veil of tension. Consume this beauty over the next 8-10 years.”

Owen Bargreen, *Vinous* **90 Rating**



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pH: 3.64

AVA: Columbia Valley

Acidity: 6.0 g/L

Composition:

44% Cab Sauv

25% Merlot

21% Petit Verdot

10% Malbec

Alcohol: 15%

Vineyards:

Bacchus

Hedges Estate

Gamache

Kiona

Los Oidos

Winemaking:

21 months in 50% new,

50% used French Oak

Production: 556 cases

Release: May 2022

Aging: 7-10 years

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