



## 2015 HIP Cabernet Sauvignon

**AVA:** Columbia Valley

**Winemaker:** Sarah Hedges Goedhart

**Blend:** 75% Sagemoor Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon; 25% Red Mountain Syrah

**Production:** 4,196 cases

**Alcohol:** 13.5%

**pH:** 3.9 pH

**Titrateable Acid:** 5.7 g/L

**The House of Independent Producers (HIP) Cabernet Sauvignon** reminds the drinker why Cabernet Sauvignon is a structure varietal. A lean, angular, racy, penetrating, crystalline structure is excellent for those drinkers looking for a more conservative fruit approach. Too many times this grape is abused with oak perfume and picked late, like an old man: wrinkled, soft, and complacent. Take your cabernet sauvignon young, tight, and transparent and leave the jam bombs for your sugar drinking friends. It's time to taste the varietal, not the brand. HIP is a project directed by Christophe Hedges, bringing to the table some of the more compelling Columbia Valley AVA vineyard sites.

*Thoughts on the nuances of flavors and aromas, and even pairings, lie in the palette of the beholder.*

### **Harvest Notes:**

2015 warmed early. The summer was extremely hot and stayed hot throughout harvest—the hottest since 1998. With little to no rainfall throughout the year, mildew problems were of no concern. The 2015 harvest resulted in the earliest picking date of red grapes in history for Hedges on Red Mountain.

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