

Doubleback Cabernet Sauvignon 2012

Cabernet Sauvignon from **Walla Walla Valley**, Washington Red wine Big & Bold 14.4% abv boutique wine

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Winemaker's Notes

The wine has intensely dark color. The nose displays an interesting combination of black and blue fruit sauté, crème cassis, and mixed floral notes paired with crushed fir needles, market spice tea, and cedar shavings. From the first sip the wine is smooth, broad in its palate impression, rich and sweet. There is an almost unexplainable deliciousness factor that I find irresistible. The tannins are impeccably integrated, long, and soft with just enough heft to give the wine a solid backbone and fantastic aging potential. This wine is approachable enough to enjoy immediately, but will reward 5-20 years of aging for the patient.

Critical Acclaim

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The Wine Advocate - "Tasted out of barrel, the 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon should be a significant step up over the 2011. Full-bodied, beautifully textured, concentrated and rich, with high, yet sweet tannin, it offers up notions of cassis, cedar, cherry blossom and lead pencil shavings in its pure, sexy personality. Given the texture and concentration, it should drink reasonably well on release, yet evolve for two decades. Range: 94-96"

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Wine Spectator - "Firm in texture, with smoky, licorice-accented blackberry, cherry, molasses and coffee flavors that keep gaining momentum as they play against a mild grip of tannins. The finish pushes on. Has tremendous presence and persistence."

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Wine Enthusiast - "This is a compelling wine with aromas of coffee, dried herbs, cherry and barrel spices. It wins over on finesse rather than power but shows more than ample amounts of both. There's enough structure that it will benefit from some time in the cellar. It will be best from 2019-2027."