

2017 Gordon Estate <u>Malbec</u>



COMPOSITION: 90% Malbec, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon

APPELLATION: Columbia Valley, WA

Fermentation: Fruit was picked in the morning, crushed and sent directly into small open top fermenters. Cap was punched down by hand two times a day until dry. After pressing, wine was transferred to oak barrels to complete primary and Malolactic fermentation.

Aging: 22 months in 60% French Oak and 40% American oak, all neutral barrels

Winemaker notes: This Malbec opens with berry fruit aromas and a hint of rhubarb and violets. On the palate flavors of cherry, mocha, and a touch of vanilla oak give way to a dusty cocoa finish.

Chemistry at bottling:

Alcohol by volume	13.9%
titratable acidity	6.4 g/L
pH	3.81 g/L