

2015 Estate Perigee

Seven Hills Vineyard · Walla Walla Valley

94 points – Jeb Dunnuck, www.JebDunnuck.com
April 2018

“The 2015 Estate Perigee Seven Hills Vineyard checks in as a blend of 56% Cabernet Sauvignon, 16% Merlot, 14% Cabernet Franc, and the rest Malbec and Petit Verdot, aged 22 months in 40% new French oak. It sports a deep purple color as well as terrific notes of ripe plums, violets, blueberries, incense and lead pencil. Pure, beautifully concentrated, layered and elegant, it's another beautiful wine from this team that's made in good quantities.” – Jeb Dunnuck

93 points, James Suckling, www.JamesSuckling.com,
May 2018

“A firm and silky red with blackberries, blueberries and black olives. Medium to full body and round and easy tannins. Blend of 56% cabernet sauvignon, 16% merlot, 14% cabernet franc, 7% malbec and 7% petit verdot. Delicious now or hold.”
– James Suckling

91 points – Wine Enthusiast, www.winemag.com
July 2018

“Cabernet Sauvignon makes up 56% of this blend, with the balance Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Malbec and Petit Verdot. It's locked up on first pour, with notes of barrel spice, dark chocolate, graphite, cassis, green herb and purple flower. The palate brings abundant cherry flavors backed by branny, slightly astringent tannins. It shows a lot more tannic best than this vineyard is often known for, needing significant time to settle in. Best after 2024.” – Sean Sullivan

91 points, Wine & Spirits, www.wineandspirits.com,
August 2018

“Tobacco drenched in red wine' is how one taster described this Seven Hills blend of cabernet sauvignon, merlot, cabernet franc, Malbec and petit Verdot. Indeed, it's so savory, with notes of cedar, tobacco and anise, that the plum-sauce and cassis notes took a day to arrive. It's a mouthful, the flavors as dark and deep as balsamic syrup, the tobacco-like tannins acting as a vise on the tongue; for a ribeye.”
– Patrick Comiskey

89 points – Wine Spectator, www.WineSpectator.com
2018, (web only)

“A gutsy red, deeply structured and framed by tight tannins, this builds momentum with expressive black currant, crushed stone and black olive flavors. Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot and Malbec. Best from 2020 through 2025.”
– Tim Fish

19+/20 points - Rand Sealey's Review of Washington Wines,
April 2018, www.reviewofwashingtonwines.com

“Composed of 56% Cabernet Sauvignon, 16% Merlot, 14% Cabernet Franc, and 7% each of Petit Verdot and Malbec, this exhibits a deep brick red color and an intoxicating nose of wild fruits – blackberries, old tree cherries, Damson plums, black currants – with scents of crushed roses, sweet tobacco, cedar, sandalwood, sage, violets and incense. The flavors, as well, are dramatic, with deep, penetrating black and blue fruits that are endowed with licorice, cacao, French roast and silty minerals. On the back, the wine turns chewy textured, yet silky, with sensations of macerated berries, roasted walnuts, moderate oak (40% new French) and mocha, all leading seamlessly into a lingering ripe tannin finish.” – Rand Sealey

Tri-City Herald, “Cab blends are part of growing Washington trend”, Great Northwest Wines, www.tri-cityherald.com
July 11, 2018

“Perigee is Marty Clubb's Cabernet Sauvignon-focused red blend, named for when the moon swings closest to Earth in its orbit. It's crafted from fruit off famed Seven Hills Vineyard, and this vintage resulted in warm, cedary aromas of black cherry, blackberry and blueberry with a pinch or two of spice. In the mouth, that elegant fruit compote is joined by flecks of dark chocolate and chalky tannins, making for a lengthy and cellar-worthy finish.” – Andy Perdue & Eric Degerman, Great Northwest Wine

Medals & Competitions

Gold – Cascadia Wine Competition, 2018

Silver – Seattle Wine Awards, 2018

Silver – Walla Walla Valley Wine Competition, 2018

Silver – Bellingham Northwest Wine Festival, 2018