

Gramercy Cellars

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Statistics

COUNTRY

United States

APPELLATION

Walla Walla, Washington

FOUNDED

2005

ESTATE OWNERS

Greg & Pam Harrington

WINEMAKER

Greg Harrington, MS

CASE PRODUCTION

8,000

FARMING PRACTICES

Sustainable, LIVE and Salmon Safe Certified

*****Varieties

Cabernet Sauvignon Syrah

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"Top 100 Winery." (2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016, 2017)

- Wine & Spirits Magazine

₩ Winery Profile

What began with a tasting in Brooklyn hosted by the Walla Walla Wine Alliance quickly turned into a visit to Washington State's beloved Walla Walla AVA, followed by an immediate decision to work harvest in 2004. For Master Sommelier Greg Harrington, a love of fine wines always been at the center of his professional life. Before trying his hand at winemaking, he managed some of the most prestigious wine lists in the United States working alongside celebrity chefs Joyce Goldstein, Emeril Lagasse, and Wolfgang Puck.In 2005, Greg and his wife Pam harvested their first grapes for the new winery, taking care to source the best fruit they could find. In addition to rooting out some of Washington State's best vineyard sites, Harrington also favors gentle handling throughout harvest and crush, stem-inclusion, and minimal use of new oak, all to enhance the preservation of the character of varietal aromatics.

Over the past decade, Gramercy Cellars has garnered serious acclaim including making Wine & Spirits Top 100 Winery list in 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016, and 2017 as well as scoring consistently high points from the critics: "More Hermitage in style compared to the floral, pretty Columbia Valley Syrah, the 2014 The Deuce Syrah gives up lots of meaty fruits, olive tapenade, smoked earth, peat moss and pepper in a full-bodied, mouth-filling, rich, yet balanced style. It's another fabulous Syrah from Greg that will drink nicely in its youth, yet age for a decade or more." 92-94 points Jeb Dunnuck, The Wine Advocate.



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2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Vallev

94-96 Points

Jeb Dunnuck

Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

I compared the 2013 Cabernet to a top Margaux last year when I tasted it from barrel, and I stand by that comparison today. I'm thinking of tattooing that on my arm. I perhaps like the 2014 even more than the inky-colored 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon offers classic Cabernet notes of black currants, lead pencil shavings, tobacco leaf and damp earth. Beautifully layered on the palate, with full-bodied richness, solid mid-palate depth and a touch of graphite on the finish, this is a sensational Washington state Cabernet Sauvignon that will have 20-25 years of longevity.

2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve Columbia Valley

94-96 Points

Jeb Dunnuck

Wine Advocate

Slightly deep purple in color, the 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve (there's 1% Petit Verdot in the blend) offers more richness as well as toasty oak in its bouquet of grilled bread, black raspberry, licorice, black currant and crushed flowers. Rich, full-bodied and layered, with building, ripe, chewy tannin, this terrific 2014 will benefit from short-term cellaring and keep for two decades.

2015 Langniappe Syrah Columbia Valley

98 Points

Jeb Dunnuck

Wine Advocate

Always one of my favorite releases from this estate, the 2015 Syrah Lagniappe is 100% Syrah (mostly from the Red Willow Vineyard in Yakima, with 5% from the Forgotten Hills Vineyard just south of Walla Walla). Deep ruby/plum-colored and loaded with Côte Rôtie-like (Côte Blonde?) notes of black raspberries, crushed flowers, tapenade, and crushed flowers, this beauty is medium to full-bodied, seamless, and silky on the palate, with incredible finesse and elegance. It's going to benefit from 3-4 years of bottle age and knock your socks off over the following decade or more. It's unquestionably one of the wines of the vintage.

2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley

94 Points

Jeb Dunnuck

Wine Advocate

Offering a pretty, elegant, dare I say Margaux-like bouquet of lead pencil shavings, spice-box, tobacco leaf, black raspberries and blackberries, the 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon is medium to full-bodied, utterly seamless, elegant and layered on the palate, with no hard edges, sweet tannin and a great finish. It puts on weight (and deepens in color) with time in the glass, is impeccably balanced and beautifully concentrated, with tons of character. A blend of 86% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot and 4% Petit Verdot that spent 22 months in just under 40% new French, it will benefit from 2-4 years of bottle age and knock your socks off through 2040. It shines more for its elegance and purity than overall power and richness, but don't let that stop you!

2014 "John Lewis" Syrah Walla Walla Valley

95 Points

Jeb Dunnuck

Wine Advocate

The 2014 Syrah John Lewis is all from a small parcel in the Les Collines vineyard and is 100% Syrah that's fermented with 100% whole clusters. It offers lots of pepper and olive notes as well as ripe blackberry and plum fruits, lavender and forest floor notes to go with a medium to full-bodied, layered, nicely concentrated, mouth-filling profile on the palate. It doesn't have the precision of the Lagniappe, but it has more richness and breadth on the palate. It too should drink nicely for 10-15 years.