

2018 BDX, Walla Walla Valley

92 POINTS, JAMES SUCKLING

"This has aromas of fresh blackberries, cloves, mint and chocolate orange. Some asphalt, too. It's medium-bodied with fine, tight-grained tannins. Nicely structured with crushed gravel on the finish." - jamessuckling.com

TASTING NOTE

Harmony defines this Bordeaux-inspired blend of five noble grapes performing in concert. A tap of the barrel wand summons herbal scented dark fruit with wisps of coffee and spice. An arrangement, composed on a sturdy foundation of sound tannins, brings together bold black cherry, plum, and black currant. The flavors symphonically flow on a sheer layer of rich dark wood toast with soft herbal notes.

THE 2018 VINTAGE

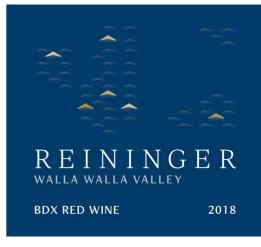
- 2018 graced the Horse Heaven Hills with an ideal growing season.
- ◆ A cool spring followed by hot summer months, preceded moderate daytime fall temperatures with cool nights.
- This scenario created a wonderful hurry up and wait harvest that delivered small berries, moderate yields, and beautifully balanced fruit with intense fruit character.

THE AVA

Nestled in the foothills of the Blue Mountains in southeastern WA and northeastern OR, the Walla Walla Valley AVA is known for its warm summer days, cooler nights and its diversity of varietals and soil types. Established in 1984, this AVA is home to nearly 3,000 acres of planted vines and over 120 wineries.

THE STORY

When Chuck & Tracy Reininger established the winery in 1997 their vision was to be Bordeaux-centric. Although other wines like the REININGER Syrah and Cima have expanded our portfolio, Bordeaux is where we draw inspiration for most of our wines.



WINE DATA	
Composition	47% Merlot, 28% Cabernet Sauvignon, 14% Cabernet Franc, 7% Petit Verdot, 4% Malbec
Vineyards	45% Seven Hills, 34% Pepper Bridge & 21% XL
Cooperage	53% French, 47% American (20% new oak)
Alcohol	14.4%
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Total Acidity	6.1 g/L
Bottling Date	June 2020
Release Date	October 2020
Case Production	349

Over the years, we've produced the occasional Bordeaux-style red blend, but BDX was the first to permanently enter our wine collection with the inaugural 2017 vintage. This wine is composed of varietals that are traditionally grown in the Bordeaux region of France and showcases the unique terroir of the Walla Walla Valley.

REININGER WINERY

REININGER Winery, located in the heart of the Walla Walley, specializes in crafting elegant and finely structured wines from hand-harvested, ultra premium grapes. From our first release in 1997, REININGER wines have possessed a unique quality derived from the winemaker's awareness of and passion for the natural elements that make great wines.