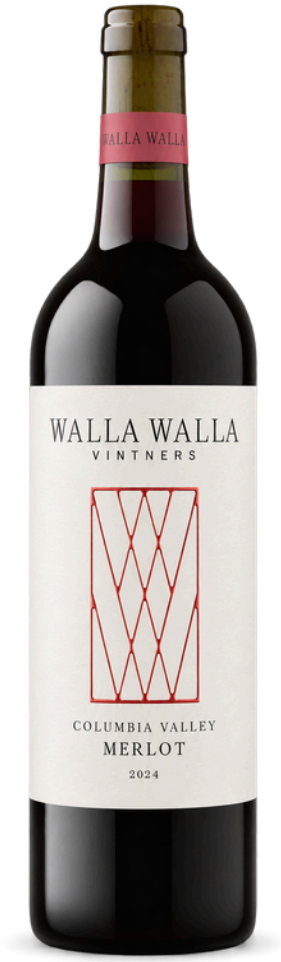
WALLA WALLA
VINTNERS



MERLOT

2024 · Columbia Valley

IN THE GLASS

Washington's unsung hero, Merlot opens with enticing aromas of ripe plum, black cherry, and wild blackberry, layered over subtle accents of warm fig and vanilla bean. Composed of 95% Merlot and 5% Malbec sourced from premier Columbia Valley sites, the palate delivers a plush, mouth-filling core of luscious fruit and velvety texture. Naturally structured with vibrant acidity, the finish is smooth and lingering.

THE VINTAGE

January's deep freeze (-9°F at Cut Bank Estate) challenged our Walla Walla vineyards, particularly at higher elevations. The season demanded meticulous attention as irregular bud break created unique growing patterns. While yields were notably reduced, careful farming and gentle cellar handling preserved the character of this distinctive vintage. Each bottle tells a story of resilience and adaptation.

91 PTS
WINE ENTHUSIAST

TECHNICAL DETAILS

BLEND	95% Merlot, 5% Malbec
VINEYARDS	Phinney Hill, Bacchus, Weinbau, Seven Hills Vineyard, Champoux
FERMENTATION	Fermented in 6-ton stainless steel tanks. Averaged 20 days on the skins.
AGING	14 months in 25% new French and American oak barrels.

APPELLATION	Columbia Valley	**ALCOHOL**	14.9%
SKU	MTC24C	**TA / PH**	5.5 g/L | 3.78

DRINK
2027
to
2034

AT THE TABLE
Pairs with roasted duck fat potatoes, mushroom ragù, cozy dinner parties