

2017 SESTINA CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Left Bank Bordeaux - Style Red Blend

The story of this wine. The Sestina is an ancient form of poetry from Medieval France. Just as a modern poet can fill this form with new expressions, we use the traditional Bordeaux blend to express Washington. Sestina is our vision for an old vine, complex blend where all of the components complement each other. This wine is designed for the cellar, so the emphasis is on structure, balance, and complexity.

Winemaker Tasting Notes. “Good deep ruby/garnet color, with aromas of black cherry, fresh black currant, dark mocha, cigar box, and graphite. The palate is lively and dense with mountain berries, mocha, vanilla honey, damp earth, and wildflowers. The finish shows a distinct chalky minerality and beautiful tension. This is a classically balanced and ageworthy Sestina. Drink 2025-2040.” - Chris Peterson, Winemaker

Vintage: 2017
AVA: Columbia Valley

Blend:
77% Cabernet Sauvignon,
17% Merlot, 6% Cabernet Franc

Winemaking: Native yeast,
54% new French oak, aged 21 months.
Bottled unfinned, unfiltered.

pH 3.81
TA 5.6 g/L
VA .70 g/L
Alcohol 14.4%

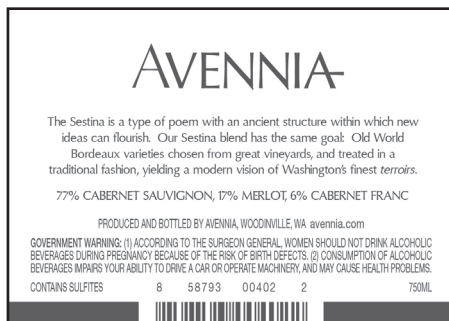
Vineyards:

Cabernet Sauvignon
34% Dionysus Vineyard (1973)
30% Red Willow Vineyard (1985)
13% Bacchus Vineyard (1972)
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17% Merlot - Red Willow (1985)
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6% Cabernet Franc - Bacchus (1997)

Cases: 400
Release: March 2020

Jeb Dunnuck - (94-96) points barrel score:

“This flagship Bordeaux blend is another Bordeaux look-alike and has Haut Brion-like smoked earth and gravelly minerality as well as beautiful cassis fruit, medium to full-bodied, beautiful concentration, and remarkable purity of fruit. It’s another case where short-term cellaring will be warranted.” - JD



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