

# ANDREW JANUIK

## 2016 Stone Cairn Cabernet Sauvignon

### VINTAGE

The Columbia Valley has seen a shift from cooler vintages in 2010 and 2011 to the three warmest vintages of the last ten years in 2014, 2015, and 2016. In 2016, an early bud break was followed by warm temperatures from spring through fall. Although quite warm, it was an even growing season without some of the extreme temperatures of 2015. This has led to very balanced wines, showing great acidity, which are drinking great at an early age.

### VINEYARDS

Obelisco, Quintessence and Ciel du Cheval are all considered to be among the best vineyards in the Red Mountain AVA. These particular vineyards always express the *terroir* of Red Mountain especially well. The rich soils, dependable air drainage, and limited rainfall result in highly concentrated berries with dense skins, rich inky color, and daring complexity.

### WINEMAKER

Though this is my sixth vintage as an independent producer, I am fortunate enough to come from a family involved with Washington winemaking for the last 4 decades. I've had the invaluable opportunity of learning both the science and art of winemaking from two of the state's most highly regarded winemakers: Mike Januik and Scott Moeller. In recent years I have worked tirelessly to hone a unique style that best fits my palate and produces what I consider to be elegant and well-balanced wines.

### TASTING NOTES

A deeply violet wine that overflows with raspberry, cassis, and cocoa notes. It is textured with many layers showing flavors that range from all-spice to dark fruit. The finish is long and brimming with the bright acidity and supple tannins that are indicative of Red Mountain. Enjoy this wine from now until 2037.

### 2016 Stone Cairn Ratings

- **Jeb Dunnuck- 94 Points**
- **Wine Enthusiast- 90 Points**

### 2015 Stone Cairn Ratings

- **Wine Spectator- 92 Points**
- **Wine Advocate- 92 Points**
- **James Suckling- 92 Points**

### 2014 Stone Cairn Ratings

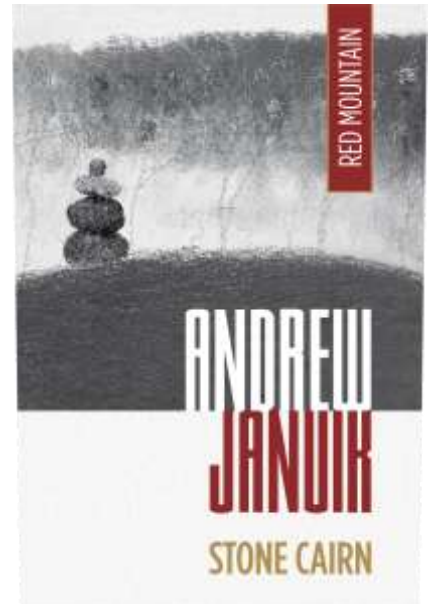
- **Wine Advocate- 90 Points**
- **International Wine Report- 93 Points**

### 2013 Stone Cairn Ratings

- **Wine Spectator- 92 Points**
- **Wine & Spirits- 94 Points**
- **International Wine Report- 93 Points**
- **Wine Advocate- 91 Points**

### 2012 Stone Cairn Ratings

- **Wine Spectator- 92 Points**
- **Wine Advocate- 91 Points**

**Blend:**

93% Cabernet Sauvignon  
5% Merlot  
2% Malbec

**Cases:** 627

**TA:** 0.58

**pH:** 3.72

**Barrels:**

55% New French  
45% Once-used French

**Aging:** 22 months in barrel