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2017 Lady Hawk Cabernet Sauvignon

VINTAGE

The Columbia Valley saw a shift back to a more moderately warm year in 2017 after a couple of years with record-setting heat. A wet, cool spring delayed bud break but warm weather in the summer brought the ripening back to a normal schedule. Moderate fall temperatures led to ideal conditions for small berries and clusters with intensity and plenty of acidity.

VINEYARDS

Lady Hawk and Champoux Vineyards are two of the finest vineyards that Washington State has to offer, and both clearly represent the uniqueness of the Horse Heaven Hills AVA. Lady Hawk, owned and operated by Judi and Paul Champoux, is a very small parcel of land with less than five acres planted, all of which is Cabernet Sauvignon. Luckily there are no other wineries that receive grapes from this meticulously managed vineyard, thus leading to a truly one of a kind wine. Champoux Vineyard, which is located adjacent to Lady Hawk, produces beautifully supple and complex wines, many of which have become the most famous and highest rated to come out of Washington State.

WINEMAKER

Though this is my seventh 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. This has included six vintages of making wine in the Southern Hemisphere to expand my winemaking philosophy and techniques.

TASTING NOTES

This dark magenta wine's nose has beautiful high notes of raspberry and mineral. The well-structured body is supple in the front, showing notes of cassis and earth throughout the palate. The long, textured finish is framed by strong tannins. Drink from now until 2034.

2017 Lady Hawk

- **Jeb Dunnuck- 93 Points**

2016 Lady Hawk

- **Wine Spectator- 92 Points**
- **James Suckling- 93 Points**
- **Jeb Dunnuck- 92 Points**

2015 Lady Hawk Ratings

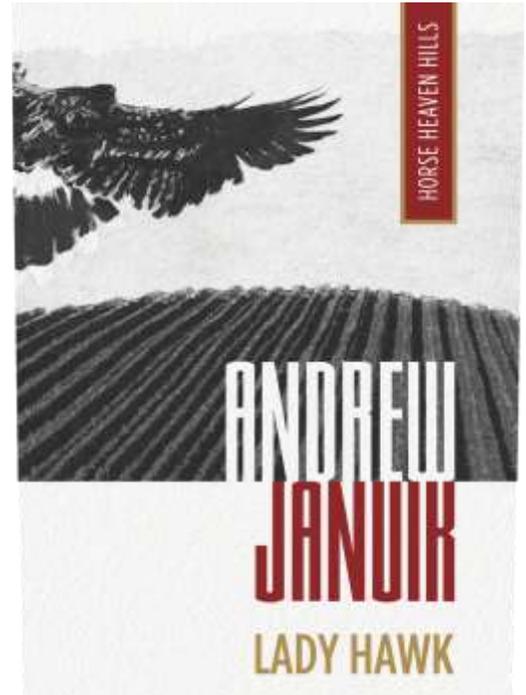
- **Wine Advocate- 92 Points**
- **James Suckling- 92 Points**

2014 Lady Hawk Ratings

- **Wine Advocate- 90+ Points**
- **International Wine Report- 93 Points**
- **International Wine Cellar- 91 Points**

2013 Lady Hawk Ratings (Inaugural Vintage)

- **International Wine Report- 93 Points**
- **Wine Advocate- 91 Points**
- **Wine Enthusiast- 91 Points**

**Blend:**

88% Cabernet Sauvignon
12% Merlot

Cases: 271

TA: 0.58

pH: 3.79

Barrels:

55% New French
45% Once-used French

Aging: Aged 21 months in barrel