



COLUMBIA·CREST®

OVERVIEW

Overview

Founded in 1983, Columbia Crest has grown from a small winery in a relatively unknown wine region to one of the most significant wineries in the U.S. and a major force behind Washington state's emergence as a world class wine region. One of the Northwest's largest wineries, Columbia Crest is acclaimed by critics and consumers alike for crafting wines that are food-friendly, approachable, affordable, and consistently over-deliver in quality.

Columbia Crest Merlot helped establish Washington's outstanding reputation for the variety, and the winery is recognized for the consistent quality of its popular Cabernet Sauvignon. These varietals, along with the winery's Chardonnay, are frequently named to the annual lists of "top wines" selected by national wine magazines. In 2009 *Wine Spectator* named the 2005 Columbia Crest Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon No. 1 Wine in the World on its Top 100 list, the first time a wine from Washington state has received this ranking. The wine was selected from more than 17,000 wines tasted by editors throughout the year.

Vineyards

The Columbia Crest Estate Vineyard totals 2,500 acres planted to Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Riesling and Syrah. Columbia Crest also sources grapes from vineyards located on the Horse Heaven Hills, Wahluke Slope, Columbia River Basin and the Yakima Valley.

Key Personnel

Juan Muñoz Oca, Head Winemaker

Portfolio

Two Vines Tier

Chardonnay • Gewürztraminer • Riesling • Sauvignon Blanc
Merlot • Cabernet Sauvignon • Merlot-Cabernet • Shiraz
Vineyard 10 White Wine • Vineyard 10 Red Wine • Vineyard 10 Rosé Wine

Grand Estates Tier

Amitage Red Blend • Cabernet Sauvignon • Chardonnay • Merlot • Moscato • Pinot Gris
Riesling • Syrah

Horse Heaven Hills, H3 Tier

Chardonnay • Cabernet Sauvignon • Merlot

Reserve Tier

Cabernet Sauvignon • Walter Clore Private Reserve Red Wine

Tasting Room & Retail Shop

Open daily from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Complimentary wine tasting is available, and no appointments are necessary.

Tours

Weekdays: self-guided tours are available from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Weekends: guided tours occur at 11 a.m., 1 p.m., 2:30 p.m. and 4 p.m.

Ownership

Wholly-owned subsidiary of Ste. Michelle Wine Estates, Woodinville, WA

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