

Tim Fish's Recommended Wines From Washington

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TOP WINES

WINE	SCORE	PRICE
CHATEAU STE. MICHELLE-DR. LOOSEN Riesling Horse Heaven Hills 2014 Just outstanding, rich and unctuous, this is impeccably balanced by refreshing acidity, with seductive apricot nectar and petrol aromas elegantly dancing toward rich, polished pear and hazelnut flavors.	95	\$60 375ml
HORSEPOWER Syrah Walla Walla Valley The Tribe Vineyard 2015 Distinctive and expressive, with a rich and complex core wrapped in bold blueberry, violet and crushed stone accents that take on momentum toward refined tannins.	95	\$120
CAYUSE God Only Knows Armada Vineyard Walla Walla Valley 2014 Polished and impeccably built, with expressive raspberry and bacon fat aromas and layered smoky plum, olive and stony mineral flavors.	94	\$97
CAYUSE Syrah Walla Walla Valley Wallah Wallah Special #6 2014 A sleek, seamless red, with vivid raspberry and crushed rock aromas and elegantly layered blueberry and grilled <i>garrigue</i> notes.	94	\$175 1.5L
DELILLE Syrah Yakima Valley Signature 2015 Polished and gracefully complex, with refined blackberry, espresso and smoked pepper flavors that glide along toward refined tannins.	94	\$46
LA RATA Walla Walla Valley 2015 Velvety, rich and well-built, offering expressive raspberry, smoky peppered meat and orange zest flavors. Grenache blend.	94	\$75
LEONETTI Reserve Walla Walla Valley 2015 Pairs great structure with richness and polish, offering expressive blackberry, allspice and bay leaf flavors. Cabernet Sauvignon blend.	94	\$150
MTR PRODUCTIONS Syrah Walla Walla Valley Memory Found 2012 Dynamic and distinctive, with black olive and plum aromas that open to blackberry, orange peel and cracked pepper flavors.	94	\$85
QUILCEDA CREEK Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley 2015 Graceful and expressive, with precise dark berry, black olive and black tea flavors that broaden and expand on the lingering finish.	94	\$200
REYNVAAN Syrah Walla Walla Valley In The Hills 2015 Offers raspberry and bacon fat aromas and structured yet elegant cherry, grilled anise and cracked pepper flavors that sail on the finish.	94	\$75
REYNVAAN Syrah Walla Walla Valley In The Rocks 2015 Lithe, with raspberry and river stone aromas and layered cherry and black olive flavors that gain richness on the finish.	94	\$85
COL SOLARE Syrah Red Mountain Component Collection 2015 Polished and savory, with ripe and structured blackberry, smoky meat and cracked pepper flavors that glide toward refined tannins.	93	\$85
K The Creator Powerline Vineyard Walla Walla Valley 2015 Polished and precise, with well-structured blackberry, black olive and smoked spice. Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah.	93	\$55
PASSING TIME Cabernet Sauvignon Red Mountain 2014 Structured, rich and polished, with expressive blueberry and blackberry fruit accented by orange zest, licorice and smoky spice details.	93	\$75
SLEIGHT OF HAND Syrah Columbia Valley Levitation 2015 Polished and expressive, with blackberry, smoky sweet anise and cracked pepper flavors that take on richness toward refined tannins.	93	\$45

TOP WINES (continued)

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SPRING VALLEY Frederick Walla Walla Valley 2015 Combines a firm, structured backbone with polished and expressive black cherry and dusky spice flavors. Cabernet Sauvignon blend.	93	\$50
TOP VALUES		
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GUARDIAN Chalk Line Columbia Valley 2016 Dense, yet retains a sleek sense of grace, offering smoky blackberry, stony mineral and spice flavors. Cabernet Sauvignon blend.	92	\$25
MILBRANDT Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley 2015 Precise and well-built, with refined black cherry and black tea flavors that build dimension toward polished tannins.	91	\$17
CHATEAU STE. MICHELLE Chardonnay Columbia Valley Indian Wells 2016 Expressive and lively, featuring tropical fruit and toasted spice flavors that linger on the finish.	90	\$17
COLUMBIA CREST Cabernet Sauvignon Horse Heaven Hills H3 2016 Supple and approachable, with lively black cherry and spiced herb flavors that linger on the finish.	90	\$15
WATERBROOK Mélange Founder's White Blend Columbia Valley 2017 An easygoing and expressive white, with succulent melon, apricot and spice flavors that end on a vibrant note. Sauvignon Blanc blend.	90	\$15
WINES OF SUBSTANCE Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley Cs Substance 2016 Dark and spirited, with appealing blackberry, black olive and smoked anise flavors that build toward big but polished tannins.	90	\$17
CANOE RIDGE Merlot Horse Heaven Hills The Expedition 2015 Sleek, with black cherry and dark chocolate aromas and layered plum and orange zest flavors that linger toward polished tannins.	90	\$16
CHARLES & CHARLES Chardonnay Columbia Valley 2016 Plush and precise, with pear and spice flavors that take on richness.	89	\$15
CHATEAU STE. MICHELLE Riesling Columbia Valley 2017 Lively and supple, with spirited lemon zest and grapefruit flavors.	89	\$9
CHARLES SMITH Riesling Ancient Lakes Of Columbia Valley Kung Fu Girl Evergreen 2016 A fun quaff, with floral nectarine and lime flavors that dance agilely.	89	\$13
COLUMBIA Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley 2014 Tightly wound, offering focused currant, mineral and espresso notes.	88	\$16
BARNARD GRIFFIN Chardonnay Columbia Valley 2016 Juicy and plump, with spice, pear and cinnamon accents.	88	\$14
PACIFIC RIM Riesling Columbia Valley J 2016 Lithe, with floral apricot aromas and polished apple and lime accents.	88	\$10
14 HANDS Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley 2016 Lively and easygoing, with zesty black cherry and spiced anise flavors.	87	\$12
DOMAINE STE. MICHELLE Brut Columbia Valley NV A lively bubbly, with apple, sweet anise and spiced nut flavors.	87	\$13
STONECAP Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley 2015 Supple and easygoing, with zesty cherry and coffee flavors.	87	\$8