

Harvey Steiman's Recommended Wines From Washington

More than 900 wines were reviewed for this report. A free alphabetical list is available at www.winespectator.com/123116. WineSpectator.com members can access complete reviews for all wines tasted using the online Wine Ratings search.

TOP WINES

WINE	SCORE	PRICE
REYNVAAN Syrah Walla Walla Valley In The Rocks 2013 Supple and expressive, this opens up like a giant flower, spreading the dark plum, blackberry, crème fraîche and spice flavors throughout the seamless whole. Shows tremendous power, but feels like it's floating.	97	\$70
NO GIRLS Syrah Walla Walla Valley La Paciencia Vineyard 2012 Complex and evocative plum, tar, black olive and jasmine flavors ride proudly over a refined structure that feels almost weightless. A rich wine that offers finesse and an endless finish.	96	\$80
HORSEPOWER Syrah Walla Walla Valley The Tribe Vineyard 2013 Supple, complex, open-textured and refined, this has depth, with bacon and black olive overtones to plum and currant flavors.	95	\$120
NO GIRLS Grenache Walla Walla Valley La Paciencia Vineyard 2012 Supple, satiny, polished and expressive, layering plum, cherry and saffras flavors onto an open-textured frame. Glides into the long finish.	95	\$80
REYNVAAN Syrah Walla Walla Valley Stonessence 2013 Supple, plush and inviting, offering a harmonious chorus of cherry, floral, black olive and savory spice flavors, mingling effortlessly.	95	\$100
REYNVAAN Syrah Walla Walla Valley The Contender 2013 Rich and expressive, with a velvety veil of tannins draping over the ripe currant, plum, orange peel and black olive flavors.	95	\$85
CHARLES SMITH Syrah Columbia Valley Royal City Stoneridge Vineyard 2013 Rich and opulent, this towering wine offers layers of blueberry, plum and clotted cream flavors, with just enough mineral character.	95	\$140
TWO VINTNERS Syrah Walla Walla Valley Some Days Are Stones Stoney Vine Vineyard 2013 Supple and expressive, this is layered with plum, rose petal, orange peel and bacon flavors that come together harmoniously.	95	\$45
FORCE MAJEURE Syrah Red Mountain Force Majeure Vineyard 2013 Crunchy tannins surround an explosive core of pure blackberry, blueberry and creamy spice flavors, with hints of crushed rock.	94	\$65
K Syrah Walla Walla Valley River Rock 2013 Broad and open-textured, offering juicy, pear-accented blackberry, licorice and black tea flavors, finishing harmoniously.	94	\$45
MAISON BLEUE Syrah Walla Walla Valley Voyageur Yellow Jacket Vineyard 2013 Expressive, with a glassy texture underneath powdery tannins. Black plum, blackberry, meat and floral flavors extend the long finish.	94	\$40
QUILCEDA CREEK Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley 2013 Broad and expressive, layering black cherry, plum, pear and black tea flavors into a beam that focuses the finish.	94	\$140
SAVIAH Syrah Walla Walla Valley The Funk 2013 Rich and expressive, with powerful flavors of plum, currant and meat floating effortlessly through a cloud of velvety tannins.	94	\$60
SPARKMAN Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley Holler 2013 Dense and focused, with a tangy edge to the dark plum and currant flavors, hinting at stony mineral and dusky spice flavors.	94	\$32

TOP VALUES

WINE	SCORE	PRICE
INTRINSIC Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley 2014 Firm in texture, brimming with raspberry, black cherry, violet and herb flavors that come together on the finish against refined tannins.	92	\$22
COLUMBIA CREST Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley Grand Estates 2014 Broad and generous, open-textured and inviting, with cherry, currant and red plum flavors that swirl enticingly around the tannins.	91	\$12
POET'S LEAP Riesling Columbia Valley 2015 Taut, sharply focused and distinctive, with apricot, peach, Meyer lemon and slate elements that glide over an off-dry finish that doesn't quit.	91	\$20
CHATEAU STE. MICHELLE Indian Wells Red Blend Columbia Valley 2012 Velvety and round, with rich, expressive blueberry, currant and meat flavors on a supple frame. The finish rolls out gracefully.	90	\$18
COLUMBIA CREST Syrah Columbia Valley Grand Estates 2014 Supple, ripe and rich, with blackberry, plum and coffee flavors, hinting at pepper as the finish plays out against polished tannins.	90	\$12
FOR A SONG Riesling Ancient Lakes Of Columbia Valley Caliche Lake Vineyard 2014 Light and delicately sweet, offering peach and apricot overtones to pear and green apple flavors, finishing with precision.	90	\$8
14 HANDS Kentucky Derby Red Blend Limited Release Columbia Valley 2013 Features a firm texture around a generous core of ripe blackberry, cherry and mocha flavors, hinting at licorice as the finish rolls on.	90	\$15
CHARLES SMITH Riesling Ancient Lakes Of Columbia Valley Kung Fu Girl Evergreen 2015 Tangy and zingy, with lively acidity that balances against gobs of ripe pear and apricot flavors.	90	\$12
SNOQUALMIE Syrah Columbia Valley 2013 Sleek and seductive, this offers cherry, pomegranate, pepper and floral flavors carried by fine tannins that drape over the palate.	90	\$10
CHATEAU STE. MICHELLE Riesling Columbia Valley Dry 2014 Light, soft, floral and appealing, with green apple, mint and mineral flavors that come together smoothly.	89	\$9
14 HANDS Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley 2014 Supple and charming, open-textured and generous, with cherry, red plum and orange peel flavors, shaded by a hint of fresh herb.	89	\$12
HOGUE Chardonnay Columbia Valley 2014 Bright and refreshing, silky in texture and lively with pear, quince, lime and spice flavors that linger effortlessly on the polished finish.	89	\$10
PACIFIC RIM Riesling Columbia Valley Sweet 2015 This white is soft and sweet, with pear tart and nutmeg flavors on a polished frame, lingering well.	89	\$11
WATERBROOK Mélange Founder's Red Columbia Valley 2014 Taut and focused, with tightly packed black cherry and savory spice notes, finishing long and harmoniously against nubby tannins.	89	\$13
BARNARD GRIFFIN Chardonnay Columbia Valley 2014 Sleek, tangy and appealing, offering nectarine and floral overtones around a citrusy core, coming together smoothly on the lively finish.	87	\$11