

Helix

COLUMBIA VALLEY

2015 POMATIA

Pomatia is our flagship wine under the Helix brand. This Bordeaux-Syrah blend has been comprised of some of the best fruit the Columbia Valley has to offer since its first vintage in 2002. Today, Pomatia is one of our most widely distributed wines. The name Helix Pomatia derives from a Burgundian snail, whose genus species name is Helix Pomatia, that is commonly served as escargot. As a winery that focuses on French grape varieties, we thought the Helix Pomatia snail would be a perfect mascot for the Helix brand. After all, a snail's pace can be a good thing – especially in winemaking and wine appreciation.

HELIX WINES—MORE TO EXPLORE

Helix Wines are the culmination of a long, storied family history in the Washington and Oregon wine and agriculture industries and a reflection of our family's belief that farming and winemaking is all about discovery. Helix wines are produced by the same family who create REININGER at our Walla Walla Valley winery. Named for a farmstead in Helix, Oregon, where our grandparents met, married, and farmed, Helix is truly a reflection of our family's pioneering background and strong sense of place. Since the first Helix vintage in 2002, our goal is to explore the diverse and unbounded Columbia Valley and to see for ourselves what the Columbia Valley vineyards are capable of producing.

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2015 was another heated year on the heels of two previous hot vintages. Somewhat cooler fall temperatures provided a bit of reprieve, allowing for deep rich fruit development. Pomatia possesses a purple-dark garnet color with a fragrant, violet, light floral incense, ripe-dark fruit, bramble berries, and jammy nose. It has a delightful, soft palate, balanced acidity, a touch of fleshiness and a nucleus of black fruits, sour black cherry, blueberry, blackberry, lingering black raspberry jam and a very fine hint of white pepper. This very versatile wine pairs with steak, pork and BBQ.

~Chuck Reininger, Winemaker

<i>Blend:</i>	39% Cabernet Sauvignon, 26% Syrah, 12% Sangiovese, 10% Merlot, 8% Petit Verdot, 5% Cabernet Franc
<i>Vineyard:</i>	Phinny Hill, Seven Hills, Stillwater Creek, Stone Tree, Weinbau & XL
<i>Appellation:</i>	Columbia Valley
<i>Alcohol:</i>	14.7%
<i>pH:</i>	3.8
<i>Acidity:</i>	6.3 g/L
<i>Bottling Date:</i>	August 2017
<i>Production:</i>	1488 cases
<i>Release Date:</i>	Summer 2018
<i>Drink Between:</i>	2018-2021