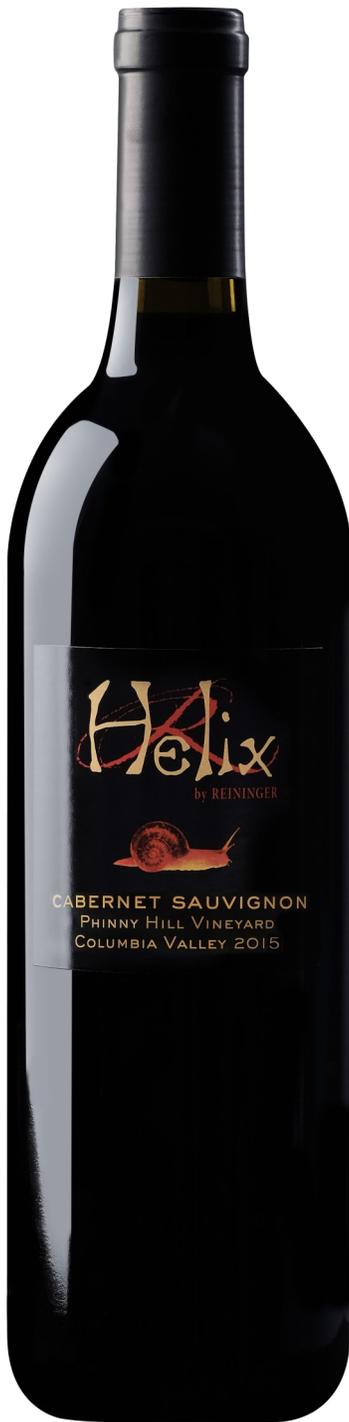


# Helix 2015 Phinny Hill Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon



## DESCRIPTION

“The record-breaking heat of 2015 has produced our tautest Helix Phinny Hill Cabernet Sauvignon. Normally, this wine processes a more forward character. A few more years are needed before its fruit, tightly wound around abundant acidity and sturdy medium-fine tannins, emerges from its chrysalis to display the more intense, now hidden, flavors, a common trait of age worthy cabernets.

This ruby colored wine has a closed fist on a nose dominated by black currants surrounded by ripe plums, figs and cherries with plenty of wet gravel minerality and a hint of rose petal, tobacco and dark toast. As the wine opens, cherry and black raspberry become more prevalent on a body of medium-plus weight with delightful chewy tannins. Much will be learned by following its journey to maturation.” ~*Chuck Reininger, Winemaker*

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

**Blend:** 94% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Petit Verdot

**Vineyards:** Phinny Hill & Stone Tree

**Cooperage:** 81% French, 19% American

**pH:** 3.8

**Alc.:** 14.5%

**TA:** 6.3 g/L

**Bottled:** August 2017

**Total Production:** 399 cases

## VINEYARD INFORMATION

**PHINNY HILL** Our Helix Cabernet Sauvignon flourishes on this stellar site in Alderdale, WA on the western side of the Horse Heaven Hills. This 100-acre vineyard sits atop a sun-drenched hill of rare cobble-filled soils left over from the Missoula Floods during the last Ice Age. The rocky soils and eastern-facing slopes provide great irrigation and air drainage for their vines, especially the predominantly planted Bordeaux grape varietals.

## FOOD PAIRINGS

Want wine to pair with every dinner course, but only want to open one bottle? Start the night off with bruschetta with Gorgonzola and sautéed sweet peppers and a glass of 2014 Helix Cabernet Sauvignon. For your entrée, this wine goes great with grilled asparagus and Roquefort cheeseburgers or an earthy mushroom risotto. For dessert, compliment this Cabernet with homemade blackberry pie or chocolate cheesecake cupcakes.

## HISTORY OF HELIX CABERNET SAUVIGNON

The first vintage of Helix Cabernet Sauvignon was in 2005. Primarily sourced from Phinny Hill and Stone Tree Vineyards, year after year our Cabernets have bright acidity and lively dark fruit notes. Highlights of past accolades include being in the *Seattle Times* “Top 50 Wines.”

## 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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