



# SAGGI

2023 SANGIOVESE BLEND · COLUMBIA VALLEY

## TASTING NOTES:

The 2023 Saggi opens with the wine's unmistakable aromatics of red currant and wild strawberry, seamlessly intertwined with layers of black fruit. A vibrant, beautifully textured mid-palate adds ample richness while preserving the wine's lively character. Bright fruit carries through to the finish, with a mouthwatering texture that leaves a lasting impression.

## VINTAGE:

The 2023 vintage delivered low yields and exceptional quality, resulting in intensely flavorful wines. A cool spring delayed bud break before a sudden May heatwave accelerated early growth. Consistent warmth through July and August supported steady ripening, though veraison progressed slowly and required careful canopy management to ensure even maturity. By mid-September, the Columbia Valley returned to its classic pattern of warm days and cool nights, preserving acidity while building flavor. Mild temperatures extended into late October, providing valuable hang time to reach full physiological ripeness.

BLEND:  
64% SANGIOVESE  
30% CABERNET SAUVIGNON  
6% SYRAH



## WINEMAKING:

Hand-harvested grapes were picked at optimal ripeness, then meticulously sorted before being crushed and fermented in small lots. To deepen color and concentrate flavor, the saignée method ("to bleed") was employed, drawing off a portion of the juice early in fermentation to increase skin contact. Long macerations (up to 30 days for Sangiovese) helped refine tannins and build a supple, rounded texture. Following fermentation, the wine was aged for 18 months in French oak barrels, 55% new, to achieve balance and depth.

## VINEYARDS:

Saggi is built from a collection of premier Washington vineyards selected to shape the wine's signature vibrancy and depth. Sangiovese from Candy Mountain and Ciel du Cheval on Red Mountain brings ripe, expressive fruit, while the Walla Walla Valley's Blue Mountain Vineyard Sangiovese adds dark fruit character. Cabernet Sauvignon from Stone Tree contributes to Saggi's beautiful mid-palate texture and structure. Boushey Vineyard Syrah heightens the blend's freshness and lift.

ALCOHOL: 14.9%  
PH: 3.81  
TA: 0.51 GRAMS/100M  
PRODUCTION: 2,222 CASES