



THE WALLS

2016 LIP STINGER

The Story Behind the Name

Grenache Blanc blend. Not-so-secret because “Lip Stinger” is the literal translation of the word. “It’s kind of like this wine named itself!” says Ali. Our Grenache Blanc was grown sur echalas and was co-fermented with Picpoul, Roussanne, Marsanne, Clairette, Viognier...literally every Rhône White varietal at French Creek. They were grown together, picked together, fermented together, and now offer themselves to you in this age-worthy blend. Plus, it won’t really sting your lips -- probably just makes them more kissable.

Production Notes

There’s a beautiful battle brewing inside these walls of glass. This year is the first we used Roussanne from the Rocks District, which brings powerful punches of acid and mineral that are trying to overpower the delicate florals of the Yakima Valley fruit which make up the rest of the blend. But, the stoic delicates are holding their own. This makes for quite an adventure in drinking...a lemony burst up front followed by a mouthwatering stony mineral finish. Ali calls it “waker-upper wine” and Peter agrees, “leave the coffee behind and grab a glass of this for a mid-afternoon pick-me-up!”

Letting this wine breathe gives it a chance to relax so we suggest decanting it and pairing with fresh white fish cooked in rich butter or olive oil. Other great seasonal options would be with creamy freshly-shucked corn rolled in butter, a rich, juicy heirloom tomato salad or pretty much any recipe

BLEND:

75% Grenache Blanc, 18% Roussane,
3% Marsanne, 2% Viognier

AVA/VINEYARD
French Creek Vineyard
Yakima Valley AVA

HARVEST DATE
Oct. 2016

ABV: 13.4%

pH: 3.3

80 cases produced