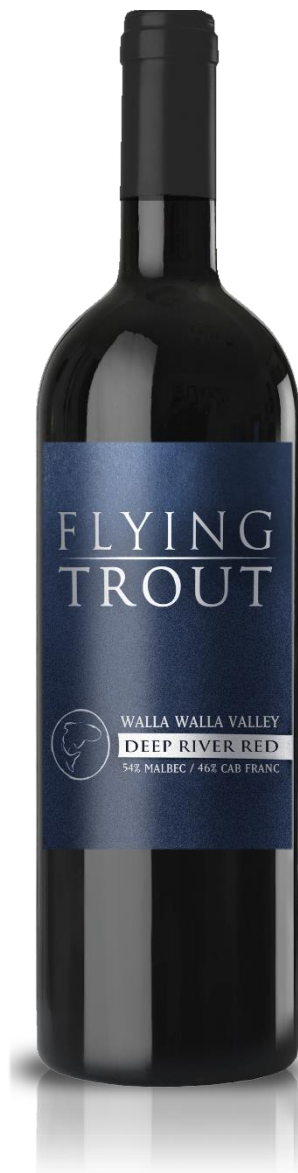


# FLYING TROUT



## **2014 Deep River Red** **Walla Walla Valley AVA | 80 Cases Produced**



### **Vineyard**

Windrow Vineyard is the oldest commercially planted vineyard (1981) in the Walla Walla AVA. Talks to create the appellation happened on this soil. Situated on a bench created by thousands of years ago where Lower Dry Creek empties into the southern Walla Walla Valley, Windrow has a rare combination of heat during the day followed by a cool breeze flowing out of the Blue Mountains in the evenings. This diurnal shift allows us to grow our grapes until later in the season, increasing maturity while retaining enough acidity to maintain balance and structure. Ellisford Silt Loam is prevalent in this part of the Walla Walla Valley AVA. Windrow varies from deep deposits of windblown loess to shallow layers over gravelly cobble.

### **Winemaker Notes**

Sourcing both the Malbec and the Cabernet Franc from our own Windrow Vineyard gave us a wonderful opportunity to keep the grapes on the vine for just a tad longer than normal, leading to a wonderful depth of flavors. Grapes were pulled in mid-October, aged in neutral French oak for 18 months, bottled in the spring of 2016, and finally released in spring of 2017. It turned out beautifully...just as we knew it would!

### **Tasting Notes**

54% Malbec, 46% Cabernet Franc from Windrow Vineyard  
It shows a deep crimson-ruby color and enticing aromas of blackberry, blueberry and cherry, with scents of black roses, mulberry, tobacco, bay leaf and incense. The flavors, as well, are appealing, with deep black and blue fruits that are intermixed with licorice, cocoa, French roast and silty minerals. The back picks up macerated berries, roasted nuts, blueberry preserves, nougat and charcoal, on the way to a chewy, savory moderate tannin finish.

### **Awards/Accolades**

18.5/20 Points~ Rand Sealey, A Review of Washington Wines