

SKULL & CHAIN CABERNET SAUVIGNON

2018/\$25.99



DESCRIPTION

Browne Family Vineyards is a family-owned winery committed to world-class wine production in the heart of Walla Walla, Washington. Inspired by the greatness of one man, William Bitner Browne, late grandfather of proprietor Andrew Browne, the winery is a dream that has been many years in the making. Every decision made — from the vineyard to the bottle — reflects a commitment to premium Washington State wine of exceptional quality and assures cellar-worthy vintages that stand the test of time.

Sourced from the Browne Estate Vineyard in the Spring Valley district of Walla Walla and throughout the Columbia Valley AVA, Browne Family Vineyards' high-end Bordeaux reds and full-bodied whites are handcrafted under the leadership of acclaimed winemaker, John Freeman, at the winery's state-of-the-art production facility.

Browne Family Vineyards is dedicated to building meaningful relationships with our customers and partners through innovative new wines, exciting collaborations, and customer nirvana. With tasting rooms located in the heart of downtown Walla Walla, Seattle's historic Pioneer Square, and Tacoma's charming Proctor District, Browne Family Vineyards offers an ideal gathering space for its wine club members and wine connoisseurs.

The Columbia Valley is situated in the eastern part of Washington State, bordered to the south by the Columbia River and to the north by the Okanogan River. The region covers an area of over 11 million acres, making it one of the largest wine-growing regions in the United States.

The climate of the Columbia Valley is what makes it such a perfect place for growing grapes. The region benefits from a dry, sunny climate, with warm days and cool nights. This unique climate allows the grapes to ripen slowly and develop complex, nuanced flavors. The topography of the Columbia Valley is also an important factor in the region's wine production. The area is characterized by rolling hills, deep river gorges, and rugged mountain ranges. The soil here is diverse, conducive to growing a number of sought-after grape varieties, with a mix of sandy loam, volcanic rock, and mineral-rich clay.

Around 99% of all wine produced in Washington State comes from the Columbia Valley. In fact, the entire wine region extends beyond the borders of Washington to the South, encroaching on the northeastern portion of Oregon.

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The Skull & Chain Red Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon is a blend of 91% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Merlot, 2% Petit Verdot. The grapes are from The Benches Vineyard & Skyfall Vineyard both located in the red Mountain appellation. The wine spent 22 months in barrel with 40% New French Oak.

Tasting Notes

Nose:

Aromas of black cherry and cedar lead to dusty and earthy flavors.

Palate:

Flavors of falling off the vine blackberry with dark chocolate at the front and earthy, chewy tannins on the finish.

Pairing:

This uptious Cabernet pairs nicely with beef, lamb, game, peppery sauces like BBQ, and roasted vegetables.

Winery Website: [Browne Family Vineyards | Browne Family Vineyards](#)

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