

LOCATI CELLARS

(Located inside of the Marcus Whitman Hotel)

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2012 Barbera

100% Barbera

100% Mission Hills Vineyard, Walla Walla Valley AVA

Alc. 14.31% By Vol.

Growing Season

The 2012 growing season was remarkably average. In terms of quality, average in Walla Walla means excellent. Temperatures were perfect for growing grapes, and the finish to the season allowed ample time for the fruit to reach full ripeness. As is typical, we had big swings in the daytime highs to nighttime lows that allow our grapes to preserve their acidity.

Vineyards

Mission Hills Vineyard (Locati Cellars Estate), Walla Walla AVA

Locati Cellars' estate vineyard is located in the famed Walla Walla Valley AVA in the state of Washington. The vines were planted 5 feet apart in soil that consist of sand, silt and gravel deposits which were delivered by the Missoula floods 10-12,000 years ago. The Missoula floods brought favorable topography and soil for all types of agriculture. The grapes were planted in 2006.

Barrel Composition

100% Neutral Oak

80% Clone 2, 20% Clone VCR-15

Tasting Notes

This wine is our first estate Barbera, since the vines were planted in 2009! This wine opens with ripe red raspberry, tart blueberry, red currant, black cherry, and pomegranate. On the palate, the fruit carries through with a bright acid backbone with pipe tobacco, black pepper, and star anise. This wine will age well, and will reward up to a decade of cellar aging. 3.56 pH and 6.2 g/L of titratable acidity. Drink now through 2022.

Cases Produced: 240

Release Date: February 2015

Best of Class - 2015 San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition

