

2015 Justine

Southern Rhone Red Blend

The story of this wine. Justine reflects our belief that Washington is capable of producing world-class blends of grape varieties traditional to the Southern Rhone region of France. The name is inspired by one of the great heroines of recent literature, who also sprung from the imagination of the Mediterranean. Dark, seductive, complex, with a chasm of depth. The Justine is a great reflection of Avennia's mission of expression, and Washington's generous *terroir*.

Winemaker's Tasting Notes. The nose on this wine starts deep and brooding, with black raspberry, black cherry, licorice pastille, cocoa, fresh herbs, and crushed rock. On the palate, the Mourvèdre brings a savory umami note, along with black and red fruits, and a variety of desert herbs—sage, lavender, hint of rosemary. The biggest and most structured vintage yet of this wine, it should last a decade and better with ease.

Vintage: 2015

AVA: Columbia Valley

Blend:

55% Grenache
32% Mourvèdre
13% Syrah

Winemaking:

Native yeast fermentation,
100% neutral French oak,
aged 16 months.
Bottled unfiltered, unfiltered.

pH 3.84
TA 5.3g/L
VA .70g/L

Alcohol 14.8%

Vineyards:

55% Upland Vineyard
Grenache

32% Kiona
Heart of the Hill
Mourvèdre

13% Oldfield Vineyard
Syrah
Clone 383

Cases: 575

Release: December 2017

Vintage Scores:

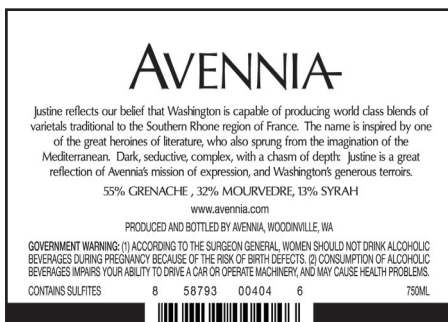
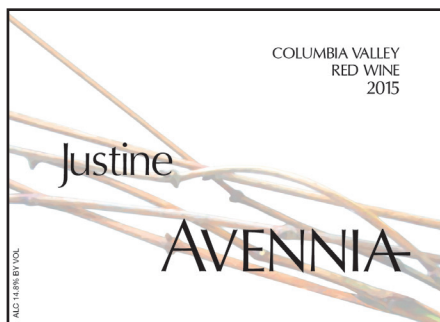
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2012: Wine Advocate - 92, Wine Enthusiast - 93

2013: Wine Advocate - 92, Vinous/Tanzer - 91, Wine Enthusiast - 91

2014: Wine Advocate - 92, Vinous/Tanzer - 91, Wine Enthusiast - 92 & Editor's Choice

2015: Wine Advocate - (91-93)



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