Seven Hills vineyard, declared one of the ten most important vineyards in the world by Wine & Spirits Magazine, is among the oldest and most revered sites in the Walla Walla Valley. It is also one of the most technologically advanced in the industry, using computer software connected to sophisticated drip irrigation to monitor and control soil moisture. This technology is designed to augment vine development while limiting excessive canopy growth. Yields are also strictly controlled to ensure ultra-premium quality fruit.

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THE PROCESS:
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VINTAGE NOTES:
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AVA: Walla Walla Valley

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VA(g/100mL): 0.083

COLOR: deep bohemian garnet

NOSE: blackberry, coffee, menthol, plum, perfumed, toffee, leather

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