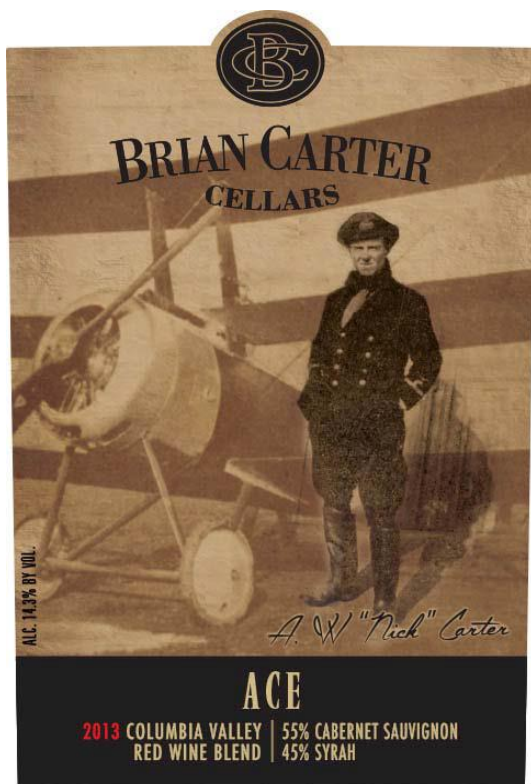




2013 ACE
Red Wine Blend
Inaugural Edition Dedication Series Blend
Columbia Valley AVA

I am very proud to introduce the **Inaugural Edition** of our Dedication Series of wines. My passion is making great blended wines and I offer a great selection of them, largely inspired by the classical blends of Europe. Never wanting to stand still, I am offering up a new series of blended wines outside of the box (*but still inside the bottle*). Each wine will be unique in its blend and unique in to whom it is dedicated. For our first of the series I have made a blend of two varieties less often blended in Europe but a blend rapidly becoming a Washington State Classic: Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah. I am also dedicating this wine to my Grandfather 'Nick' Carter who was an important person, both in my life and in the air over France in Word War I: A true "ACE" fighter pilot.

Dark in color, the complex aromas include ripe blackberries and cedar with notes of herbs de Provence. As you sip the wine you will discover it finds all corners of your palate: entrance, middle and finish, with plenty of structure and balance promising extended aging potential. An excellent pairing with lamb marinated in black bean sauce.



WINE DATA

Cabernet Sauvignon 55%
E&E Shaw Vineyard, Red Mountain

Syrah 45%
Stillwater Creek Vineyard, Columbia Valley (36%)
Solstice Vineyard, Yakima Valley (9%)

Oak Aging
Aged in French oak, 30% new & 80% used (1-5 years)

Analysis at Harvest
Average Brix 26.0 Brix
Average TA 0.65 %
Average pH 3.40

Analysis at Bottling
Residual Sugar >0.1%
TA (%) 0.58%
pH 3.68
Alcohol 14.3%

Production 271 cases

Brian D. Carter
Winemaker

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