

rob griffin and the fifty harvests of washington wine



BARNARD
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A half-century winemaking milestone happens so infrequently in Washington, there's no precedent for how to mark such an occasion, as we are fairly certain this is the first.

A career bookmarked annually with the anticipation of calling the first grapes in and the burn of the cognac toast on every last load (okay, sometimes it was tequila). Nights spent babysitting the press, and grapes cresting the crush pad well before sunrise.

Tons, and tons of Merlot and Riesling and Syrah; millions of bottles filled with wine used for five decades to celebrate, commemorate and maybe even commiserate, all brought to fruition by the whims - *and meticulous care* - of one, Rob Griffin.

Rob's Signature Wines

Rosé of Sangiovese - 7x Pink Sweepstakes winner at the SF Chronicle Wine Competition

Chardonnay - A perennial favorite

Cabernet Sauvignon - Classic Columbia Valley new world flavors in an old world style

Côtes du Rhône Blend - A whimsical take on Washington's prowess with Rhône varietals



About Barnard Griffin - What began as a passion project for a young winemaker has turned into one of Washington's most enduring and venerated brands.

Barnard Griffin got its start with borrowed grapes in a rented cellar space as an avenue for Rob Griffin to make wine the way *he* wanted, the way he felt the Columbia Valley should be vinted and experienced.

Now coming upon his 50th harvest in Washington state, Rob and the Barnard Griffin family have built upon a humble idea and turned it into one of the most consistent, award-winning and well-recognized brands in Washington wine; none of which would be possible without the determination and devotion of founder, Rob Griffin, his family and his hard-working team.

Founded - 1983 by Deborah Barnard and Rob Griffin

Current ownership - Rob Griffin, Deborah Barnard, Elise Jackson and Megan Hughes

First Vintage - 1983; Fumé Blanc, Chardonnay, Riesling, Cabernet Sauvignon

Winery - built in 1996 in Richland, WA | satellite tasting room in 2021 in Vancouver, WA

Winemaking - head winemaker, Rob Griffin *with associate winemaker Mickey French and second-generation winemaker, Megan Hughes*

Annual Production - 35,000 cases

Distribution - AL, AK, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, ID, IL, MD, MA, MI, MS, MT, NE, NV, NJ, NY, NC, OH, OR, PA, SC, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY