



# Board Track Racer Cellars 2014 'The Vincent' Red

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THE VINCENT  
*Board Track Racer*

## The 2014 Vintage

2014 was one of the warmest vintages on record. Weather in early spring was hot. As spring progressed into summer the high temperatures remained. The consistent long term heat accelerated vine development and ripening. The heat continued into August and through much of September resulting in rapid ripening. Relief arrived in late September as a cool weather pattern settled over eastern Washington.

The cooler weather slowed down ripening and provided the opportunity for extended hang time and a more balanced berry development. Early indications for the 2014 wines show an excellent expression of ripe fruits with underlying secondary non-fruit qualities giving the wine lift and balance. The wines offer richness and power on the palate combined with great texture and moderate acidity.

## Tasting Notes

The 2014 Vincent Red features dense, pure aromas of black cherry, black raspberry, caramelized spice and vanilla. The palate is bold, with mouth-filling concentration of blueberry and blackberry with more warm spice and subtle licorice flavor. The finish is remarkably long and balanced, focusing firm but round tannins and refined acidity.

## Technical Data

50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 25% Merlot, 25% Malbec  
39% Conner-Lee Vineyard, 35% Weinbau Vineyard, 26%  
Stillwater Creek Vineyard 2000 Cases Produced  
AVA – Columbia Valley,  
WA 14.3% Alc / Vol