



THE WALLS

2016 LA LUTTE

The Story Behind the Name

Nothing worth doing comes without a struggle. This wine embodies the struggle of both vine and winemaker. For Ali, this wine was a turning point in her career. This was the first wine Ali made all on her own, working under no external restrictions and with no plan or purpose other than it being the best wine she could make. In the spirit of the White Burgundies she admires, the aim was to create a wine in the same vein: bold and rich with spirited minerality and perfect acid. “One of the things I love about fruit from this area is that it’s very natural,” says Ali. “I often say these wines have ‘broad shoulders’ in that they can handle the impact of oak. The acids don’t absorb the tannins the way other Chardonnay fruit would, so I don’t have to manipulate the fruit in any way -- it’s very natural.”

La Lutte is the wine that brought Ali and Mike together as business partners. The wine Mike calls “Ali’s fourth child” and the one he quickly realized was worth the extra effort and expense of making from a vineyard three hours from Walla Walla. So, for us, the struggle was most definitely worth it. You see, sometimes the scariest things you do in life turn out to be the most rewarding.

BLEND:
100% Chardonnay

AVA/VINEYARD
Columbia Gorge AVA
White Salmon Vineyard

ABV: 14.5%

PRODUCTION: 110 cases

Retail: \$42