

International WINEREPORT

2020 **'The Spellbinder'** Sleight of Hand Cellars Red Wine *Columbia Valley*

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The 2020 Spellbinder from SOH is a mélange of 39% Cabernet Sauvignon 32%, Cabernet Franc, 12% Merlot, 9% Petit Verdot, and 8% Syrah. It's aged in a combination of large oak upright tanks and neutral French oak barrels. In the glass, it sports a glistening ruby core with a pinkish rim and boasts notes of dried cherry, burnt apricot, blue plum, cedary herbs, dried cranberry, and blood orange. Tannins are a touch chalky but well-balanced, while acidity is on the high side. An amazing bottle of wine for only \$25.

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