

“The Walls” is what the locals call the Washington State Penitentiary, Walla Walla’s least talked about but perhaps most notorious landmark, and one that loomed just down the street from where our first wines were made. Since 1886, the “Walls” or “Concrete Mama” has surreptitiously presided over the ebb and flow of this little town, lives frozen inside while outside, growth and progress eddy past.

This contradiction is also a personal one as walls have become metaphors in all of our lives — we put up walls to protect our hearts, we toil within the walls of work constraints, we build walls to defend what’s important to us. Nevertheless, as we build walls we’re also always looking for ways we can tear them down. Wine is the river that can overflow, subvert and topple these walls. It is a powerful force in bringing people together and building true community, capturing and preserving memories of time, places and people.

THE WALLS	
Founded	2014
Wine Production Area	United States - Washington - Walla Walla Valley
Owners	Michael Martin
Winemaker	Todd Alexander
Grape Varietals	Cabernet Sauvignon, Syrah, Grenache, Grenache Blanc, Chardonnay
Agricultural Methods	The winery is solar and uses sustainable practices, limiting use of plastic. The vineyard is organic.
Annual Production	8,000 cases
Website	/www.thewallswines.com