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LUSH RED AND VIBRANT WHITE WINES FROM THE COLUMBIA VALLEY



2001 • CABERNET SAUVIGNON • COLUMBIA VALLEY WASHINGTON

VINTAGE

The 2001 vintage offered extraordinary growing conditions throughout the entire season. Warm, dry days coupled with cool nights during the summer followed by our fourth consecutive Indian summer allowed for extended hang time and symmetrical ripening of the fruit. The wines from this vintage are filled with big, opulent fruit, accentuated by high pH's that allow for early drinkability and enjoyment.

VINEYARDS

The vineyard sources for this wine are located in the Columbia Valley and Red Mountain appellations. 58% Conner-Lee, 14% Estate, 13% Ciel du Cheval, 11% Bacchus and 4% Wahluke Slope.

WINEMAKING

Final Blend – 90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot. All of the grapes were hand harvested then hand sorted over a conveyor belt before crushing. After gentle crushing to maintain a high percentage of whole berries, the different wine lots were cold soaked in open top fermentors for 24 – 48 hours and inoculated with Bordeaux Red Yeast. Fermentation temperatures ranged from 80 – 90 degrees depending on the fruit condition and two to three hand punch downs were administered daily. After approximately 5 days of fermentation, the wine was pressed at between 2 and 5 Brix. All free run and basket pressed wine was separated before barreling. Primary fermentation culminated in new French oak barrels. Malolactic inoculant was added to the wine in barrels to aid in the ML process. The wine was gently racked from barrel to barrel and lightly fined with fresh egg whites during the course of the 22 month aging process.

TECHNICAL DATA

Bottled October, 2003, cases produced 1436, pH 3.63, TA .61. Average Brix at harvest 26, alcohol 14.8%.

TASTING NOTES

Our second complete vine to wine Cabernet under Zelma Long's guidance is about exciting as it gets for Cabernet Sauvignon from Washington. Aged exclusively in French oak for 22 months and blended with 10% Merlot, this opulently rich and silky Cabernet tempts the palate with concentrated flavors of plum, blackberry, cassis and sweet cedar followed by a smooth, lingering finish. Optimal drinkability 2006 – 2012.

BOOKWALTER CABERNET PEDIGREE

90 Points The Wine Spectator - 1994 Vintner's Select Cabernet Sauvignon

91 Points The Wine Spectator - 1994 Cabernet Sauvignon

*Did not produce a Cabernet Sauvignon in 1995

90 Points The Wine Spectator - 1996 Vintner's Select Cabernet Sauvignon

87 Points The Wine Spectator - 1997 Cabernet Sauvignon

91 Points The Wine Spectator - 1998 Cabernet Sauvignon

87 Points The Wine Spectator - 1999 Cabernet Sauvignon

88 Points The Wine Spectator - 2000 Cabernet Sauvignon



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