

2007 Sangiovese

Wahluke Slope, Columbia Valley, WA

Cases produced:	485 cases
Vineyards:	15 percent Desert Wind Vineyard 85 percent Sacagawea Vineyard
Appellation:	Columbia Valley, WA
Harvested:	October 26, 2007
Fermentation:	Closed-top fermentation with two circulations per day; seven days of skin contact
Barrel Regime:	Aged in 95 percent American and 5 percent French oak for 7 months
Blend:	85 percent Sangiovese, 14 percent Cabernet Sauvignon, 1 percent Merlot
Final #s:	Alcohol 13 percent • TA .53 g/100ml pH 3.65 • RS .04 g/100ml
Release Date:	August 2008
UPC:	768154231908

Winemaker's Notes

The 2007 growing season yielded a smaller crop than usual, resulting in extremely concentrated, extremely flavorful grapes. Our 2007 Desert Wind Sangiovese was picked at optimum ripeness and crafted into wine utilizing a hands-off approach. Our Sangiovese displays aroma of strawberry and rose petal, complimented with rich flavors of wild blackberry on the palate, finishing with spicy oak.

Vineyard

The Sacagawea Vineyard is located in Eastern Washington's Columbia Valley. This site is considered Zone 3, the hottest in the region. The 60-acre vineyard is a southern facing block with shallow and rocky soil. The vines are irrigated with an underground drip system; double catch wires are used to increase air circulation during the growing season. Leaf pulling and cluster thinning are important steps in aiding the ripening of the grapes.



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