

## 2010 Tempranillo

Wahluke Slope, WA

Cases produced:

283

Vineyards:

**Desert Wind Vineyard** 

Appellation:

Wahluke Slope, WA

Harvested:

October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Fermentation:

Fermentation in open top bins; punch downs three

times per day

**Barrel Regime:** 

Aged in 100% American oak for 31 months

Blend:

94% Tempranillo, 4% Merlot, 2% Cabernet Sauvignon

Final #s:

Alcohol 15% • TA 0.63 g /100ml

pH 3.80 • RS 0.03 g /100ml

**Release Date:** 

August 2013

UPC:

768154231892

## Winemaker's Notes

A native of the Rioja region of Spain, Tempranillo thrives in Eastern Washington's desert climate. Our 2010 Tempranillo opens with gentle flavors of raspberries and leather, which flow into a soft, earthy finish. Its medium body and light spiciness make it a natural partner for a wide array of cuisine, especially tapas.

## Vineyard

The Wahluke Slope is located in Eastern Washington's Columbia Valley. The site is considered Zone 3, the hottest in the region. Our 480-acre vineyard is a southern facing block with a two percent slope and shallow, 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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