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### **2003 Pepper Bridge Red Wine**

Walla Walla Valley

Washington State

- 50% Cabernet Sauvignon Pepper Bridge Vineyard
- 50% Merlot Pepper Bridge Vineyard

The Pepper Bridge Vineyard Red Wine is exactly half Merlot and half Cabernet Sauvignon and is full of typical Walla Walla Valley terroir: berry fruits and with a delicious hint of mint, wrapped with silky tannins with a lovely finish of lingering roses.

The grapes for this wine were handpicked and handsorted to ensure that only the best grapes were used. We fermented the fruit in small open-top containers no taller than they are wide to extract greater flavor and color by having more juice in contact with the grape skins. After gently pressing the wine from the skins the wine aged in small oak barrels for twenty months. During barrel aging we gravity raked the wine off its lees with a siphon. Separate lots were blended and bottled in the spring of 2005.

We produced 239 cases