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## **2005 Cabernet Sauvignon**

Columbia Valley  
Washington State

- 89% Cabernet Sauvignon
- 4% Merlot
- 7% Cabernet Franc
- 61% Red Mountain, 35% Horse Heaven Hills, 4% Pepper Bridge Vineyard

The 2005 vintage in Washington has proven itself to be one of exceptional quality. This wine is further proof. Our 2005 Cabernet shows cassis, dried cranberries, and black cherries on the nose with a hint of licorice. In the mouth the wine is round and full with dark fruit flavors and chocolate laced with a hint of floral pepper and spice.

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 racked the wine off its lees with a siphon. Separate lots were blended and bottled in the spring of 2007.

We produced 355 cases