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### **2008 Pepper Bridge Red Wine**

Walla Walla Valley  
Washington State

- 100% Merlot Pepper Bridge Vineyard

Our 2008 Pepper Bridge Wine is fresh and fruity with lots of floral and pleasing menthol top notes. The acid and oak tannins are very nicely integrated. There is lots of bold fruit in the mouth. Although is a 100% Merlot without the normal Cab we blend with it to provide structure, it is probably the biggest Pepper Bridge Blend to date.

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. Separate lots were blended and bottled in the spring of 2010.

We produced 227 cases.