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2005

MERLOT

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The sunny slopes of the Yakima Valley foothills provide the perfect growing conditions for producing intensely flavored, balanced and complex wines such as Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Chardonnay, Riesling, and Syrah. Long sun-drenched days and cool evenings in this desert climate yield bold, hearty, and luscious world-class wines.

## TASTING NOTE

Deep and dark in color, with inviting aromas of cherry and licorice, the lively berry fruit flavors touched with spicy oak make this wine a complex and delectable charmer.

## BLEND

81% Merlot  
8% Cabernet Sauvignon  
6% Malbec  
4% Syrah  
1% Cabernet Franc

## BOTTLING

pH: 3.61  
TA: 0.65  
Alc: 12.9%

## VINEYARD SOURCE

Cowan  
Outlook  
Alder Ridge  
Newhouse