

WATERBROOK



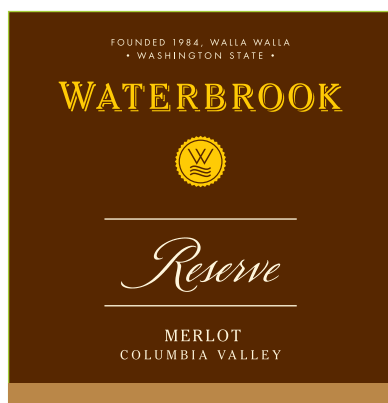
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Reserve

MERLOT

COLUMBIA VALLEY

*A developed wine that demonstrates why Washington is recognized as a top Merlot producer.
Supple flavors will keep you reaching for another glass.*



WINE MAKING NOTES

Harvest Date: 9/16/08 - 10/5/08

Yeast: Pasture Red

Malolactic: 100%

Oak: 30% New Oak
(59% AO, 31% FO, 10% HO)

Aging: 26 months

Fining: None

T/A: 0.51

pH: 3.68

RS: None

Alcohol: 13.90%

Bottled: 12/10/10

Cases Produced: 2,407

Release Date: May 2011

TASTING NOTE
by Winemaker
JOHN FREEMAN

Wonderfully developed cherry, smoke and leather aromas swirl in the glass. Juicy, bright cherries welcome you to the well-rounded palate. Layered notes of rich fruit, cocoa powder and leather lead to balanced tannins and lingering oak on the finish.

VINEYARD SOURCES

Blackrock, Elephant Mountain, Pepper Bridge, Loess, Willard, Mirage, Canyon Ranch Vineyard

BLEND

100% Merlot

VINTAGE NOTE

The 2008 harvest began in late September, perhaps the most delayed harvest since 1993. Harvest wrapped up in the first part of November. Overall the wines have great fruit flavor definition, medium bodied and complex. The reds, Merlot, Syrah and Cabernet Sauvignon, always do well in the state and the 2008 vintage is no exception. The white varietal stars, Chardonnay and Riesling, shine as well this vintage

FOOD PAIRINGS

Grilled Steak with Portabella Mushrooms,
Rosemary Pork Chops, Pasta with Red Sauce

REVIEWS

New Release