



CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2009/Walla Walla Valley

Vineyard Appellation: Seven Hills Vineyard, 100%

Grapes: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Vintage Season: Cool spring, late start, rapidly ripening warm August and September, normal yields

Barrels: French Oak, 40% new

Time in Cellar: Bottled July 2011

Aroma: Plum cobbler, mint, raspberry jam, licorice, spice

Taste: Explosive sweet red fruits, spice, polished warmth

Alcohol: 13.9%

Lot size: 658 cases

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

This old vines Cabernet of dark-red purple color opens with a very dusty nose. Ripe, exuberant red fruits, raspberry jam and red plum cobbler follow, with secondary notes of licorice, mint, and almond. The palate is generous and full of red fruit sweetness and depth, supported by spice and a moderate brightness with polished tannins underneath. The finish is warm, sweet, persistent and balanced, with a hint of pepper. The vintage is more forward and softer than 2008, and reminds me of a cross between 2006 and 2007 in its texture and lushness. Will reward cellaring for 5-8 years.

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