



MALBEC 2009/Walla Walla Valley

Vineyard Appellation: Windrow, McClellan Estate,
and Minnick

Grapes: 100% Malbec

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

Barrels: Hungarian oaks, 35% new

Time in Cellar: Bottled May, 2011

Aroma: Passionfruit, tangerine, blueberry, spice

Taste: Sweet blueberry, pepper, bright

Alcohol: 13.8 %

Lot Size: 396 cases

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

This hand-selected fruit from three hillside Walla Walla Valley vineyards gave us another expressive, varietally correct Malbec in 2009. It has a deep magenta-purple color, and a dustiness in the nose when first in the glass. Aromas of passionfruit and tangerine dominate, and a hint of caramel and brandy tones round out the nose. The palate shows sweet blueberry fruit, spice and pepper over a bright, warm fine tannin structure which finishes with powerful fruit that's somewhat tropical. Enjoy this wine over the next 2 to 4 years.

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