



WINEMAKER'S NOTES-2008 CARMENERE
WALLA WALLA VALLEY
100% CARMENERE

Our 2008 100% Carmenera is made with fruit from Seven Hills Vineyard; these vines are the first Carmenera planted in the valley, planted in 1998. This is a very unique wine grape variety from Chile; this wine jumps out with not only great fruit flavors, but a lingering finish of white pepper and spice.

The wine was aged for 21 months in 20% new French oak and 80% neutral barrels.
The wine will be bottled for 4 months prior to release.

The 2008 season started very typical, with mild weather during bud break and spring growth. Bloom period was warm and consistent for great fruit development. Once again we had a long hot summer for good growing conditions. Fall conditions were perfect for flavor development.

The crushed grapes were fermented in small 1_ ton bins. Punch down was performed 2-3 times daily, followed by pressing and malolactic fermentation in barrel.

WINE SPECIFICS

Varietal(s):	Carmenera
Vineyard(s):	Seven Hills Vineyard
Appellation:	Walla Walla Valley
Harvest Date:	October 18, 2008
Brix at Harvest:	24.7
Total Acidity:	0.56
Finished Alcohol:	14.3 %
Total Production:	146 cases
Release Date:	November 1, 2010
Retail	\$29.00 US

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