

2009

Taste Red

Bedell has taken the art of blending to a whole new level in this delicious, juicy red. Produced from Merlot, Syrah, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. Aromas of blueberries, boysenberries and violets with flavors of beach plums, blackberries and pomegranate. Aging for 12 months in older French oak barrels provides a soft, lush mouth-feel that ends with an earthy saline minerality found only on the North Fork.

2009 was another challenging season for the North Fork but it has quickly shown itself to be a wonderful vintage. The season began as most do on the North Fork – cold and wet. Cooler temperatures remained throughout the summer however as numerous storm systems swept across the Fork resulting in a slow growth period. With proper fruit thinning we were able to accelerate ripening and expose more fruit to the sun. Luckily we were blessed with a long, warm fall which allowed our grapes to fully ripen. Harvest began in October and ended on November 22nd – much later than usual with most varieties ripening about two weeks behind the historical average. The result of our efforts is a vintage that produced some exceptionally aromatic white wines with great natural acidity and some beautiful reds that are soft, elegant and a little more delicate than in some of our warmer vintages.

628 Cases Produced

42% Merlot
25% Syrah
20% Cabernet Sauvignon
7% Cabernet Franc
6% Petit Verdot



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