



POWERS

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2007 Reserve Syrah *Cougar Vineyard*

TASTING NOTES

Nearly breathtaking in aromatics with layers of cherry, nutmeg, sarsaparilla and unsweetened cocoa. French vanilla and black current join quickly on the palate. Unique delicacy comes from lavender and violets that lead to an explosion of well textured cherry. These all circle and swirl in your mouth and are enriched by cherry cola, rootbeer and tobacco. Perfectly suited to savor on its own, and would heighten rack of lamb, and roast.

BLEND/VINEYARD INFO

95% Syrah, 5% Cabernet Franc

95% Syrah, Cougar Vineyard, Wahluke Slope

5% Cabernet Franc, Champoux Vineyard, Horse Heaven Hills

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The Cougar vineyard on the Wahluke slope continues to impress us at the winery. In 2007 the vineyard was harvested on October 2, at 25.9 Brix. Deep and complex, our goal was to coach the wine along, and let it unfold. We used 796 yeast to emphasize the fruit components without sacrificing the stunning complexity. After fermentation, and going into malo-lactic fermentation, the wine was aged for 28 months in French Oak Barrels (74% new and 26% used). We feel this was the right combination based on our experience with the 2006 Reserve, balancing just enough oak with the layers and delicacy of the fruit.

TECHNICAL DATA

Release Date:	6.1.2010	Acidity:	0.63
Alcohol:	14.0%	pH	3.85
Residual Sugar:	0.00%	Cases:	298