

OWENROE

**2008
Yakima Valley Red**



TASTING NOTES

This wine is designed to showcase the world-class Merlot and Cabernet-Franc grapes of the Yakima Valley. The fruit is from several small vineyards from the cooler western end of the region, where the long days of sunshine and moderate temperatures in the evening conspire to produce lush aromatic grapes with lovely acidity and low pH. The bright berry Merlot and fragrant notes of Cabernet-Franc are wonderfully framed by the structure and acidity of the Cabernet Sauvignon, creating a beautiful mouth filling and deeply aromatic wine. The 2008 Yakima Valley Red is a truly gorgeous wine, supple with balanced soft tanins. Polished and generous, with a beautifully focused cherry and plum fruit at the core, this is a superlative vintage of this wine.

VINEYARDS

Red Willow Vineyard, Yakima Valley, WA
Elerding Vineyard, Yakima Valley, WA
DuBrul Vineyard, Yakima Valley, WA

AGEING PROFILE

16 months 34% new French oak

BLENDING DETAIL

36% Cabernet Sauvignon, 33% Merlot, 31% Cabernet Franc

PRODUCTION

865 cases made

