

# EFESTE

**FINAL FINAL 2005**

*Columbia Valley*



## **Wine Background**

Our goal in blending two noble wine grapes together is to acquire the best attributes of each varietal and marry them in a complimentary and seamless way. Cabernet Sauvignon is the foundation of this wine, adding power, structure, richness, grip, and complexity. Syrah brings generous, juicy, ripe flavors and a spicy nature that blends beautifully with the Cabernet. It is little wonder that winemakers from Australia to Provence have blended these two grape varietals together. Add to this the "purity of fruit" that is the hallmark of Washington State grapes and you receive a wine that is both delicious and very complex.

## **Winemaking**

Chris Upchurch, known for his bold reds, consulted on the making of this big red. The blending of the two grapes gives this wine a complex varietal of flavors. This wine is made from 50% Cabernet Sauvignon and 50% Syrah.

## **Viticulture**

50% Cabernet Sauvignon from Kiona New Block Cabernet Sauvignon and Sagemoor Cabernet Sauvignon, 50% Syrah from Klipson Vineyard Syrah and Kiona Syrah.

## **Analytical**

*Grapes:* 50% Cabernet Sauvignon 50% Syrah

*Yields:*

*Aging:* 65% New French oak (Saury, Demptos, Suegin Moreau)

*Vintage:* Aged 19 months in oak using 100% malolactic fermentation, it has no residual sugar resulting in a dry bold red.

*Alc/Vol:* 14.5%

## **Notes**

Final-Final is the last wine we blend, hence the name. It's 50% Cabernet Sauvignon and 50% Syrah this classic blend the French made famous in Provence yet the Australians perfected. The wine is layered with fresh raspberries, a dense backbone of cassis, and a gorgeous menagerie of black fruit, with a hint of fresh strawberries and pencil shavings. The Cab gives a suitable structure for the fleshing mid-palate and a focused finish of sweet cardamom and cola.

*--Brennan Leighton Winemaker*