

"Levitation"

2006 Columbia Valley 100% Syrah

The 2006 Levitation is a micro-cuvée of four very special barrels of Syrah. A blend of 100% Syrah from Hedges Vineyard, located in the Red Mtn AVA, Wallula Vineyard in the Horse Heaven Hills AVA, and Red Willow Vineyard in the Yakima Valley AVA (and the oldest Syrah plantings in the state), it defines what is so great about Washington State Syrah. Rich, bold yet subtle, it is like drinking Northern Rhone without the "wall of tannins" that requires decades of cellaring. The 2006 Levitation is immediately accessible, yet will reward those with a little patience, as this wine should increase in complexity for another 7-10 years. I like my wines youthful, with gobs of fresh fruit and that awesome, roasted meat characteristic associated with Syrah. Flavors of rich blueberries make this a great combo for a rack of lamb, maybe drizzled with a "Levitation" reduction sauce....if you want to sacrifice a bottle! Not me...hey, there are only 84 cases available!

pH 3.95 TA .58 g/mL; Alcohol 14.5% Vineyards: Hedges Estate Vineyards - Red Mtn AVA, Wallula Vineyards - Horse Heaven Hills AVA, Red Willow Vineyard - Yakima Valley AVA