675 cases produced
Alc. 14.5%
pH 3.63
TA .59g/100ml

Red Mtn. Vineyard
Red Mtn. AVA
Merlot
10/7/2011
25.0 brix 3.62 pH .38 TA
4.38 tons

Scooteney Flats Vineyard
Red Mtn. AVA
Merlot
10/8/2011
25.5 brix 3.84 pH .38 TA
2.0 tons

Blackrock Vineyard
Yakima Valley AVA
Cabernet Franc
10/26/2011
24.6 brix 3.36 pH .56 TA
2.60 tons

Red Mtn. Vineyard
Red Mtn. AVA
Cabernet Franc
10/28/2011
24.5 brix 3.75 pH .36 TA
1.49 tons

Blue Mtn. Vineyard
Walla Walla Valley AVA
Cabernet Franc
11/2/2011
24.5 brix 3.35 pH .59 TA
1.86 tons

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"The Archimage"

54% Merlot, 46% Cabernet Franc
Columbia Valley

Rich, opulent, dramatically aromatic, and boasting flavors of red cherries, raspberries, and savory herbs, the 2011 Archimage is an exquisite blend of Merlot and Cabernet Franc. The wine was aged for 23 months in French oak (34% new). The cool 2011 vintage allowed us to hang our grapes two-three weeks later than normal, producing optimal flavor and tannin development for a full flavored, classic "homage" to the Right Bank blends of Bordeaux. It finishes long and elegant, with fine grained tannins and vibrant acidity. While immediatley approachable, this wine will provide great drinking enjoyment and will continue to evolve over the next 10-15 years at least. Only 675 cases were produced.

Rand Sealey, Review of Washington Wines
This vintage displays a brilliant crimson color and seductive aromas of strawberry, cherry, cassis, crushed roses, sweet tobacco and violets. The flavors mirror the aromatics with ripe, lavish red fruit flavors that are imbued with licorice, Swiss chocolate, mocha and variegated earth minerals. The back reveals sensations of squeezed berries, fraise and kirsch liqueurs and crème de cassis, and glides effortlessly into a dryish tannin finish that turns sweetish at the end, laced with light oak and light spices.
19+/20 points