

## "The Archimage"

Columbia Valley
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Only seven barrels of the Archimage exist, and they were blended together for this dynamic wine, producing a total of 168 cases. The new vintage (five of the seven barrels are from 2006, two are from 2005), is a blend of 61% Merlot, 33% Malbec, and 6% Cabernet Sauvignon. The fruit was sourced from Ciel du Cheval on Red Mountain, Champoux Vineyard in the Horse Heaven Hills AVA, Snipes Canyon Ranch in the Southeast tip of the Yakima Valley, and finally, Wahluke Slope Vineyard on the (where else?) Wahluke Slope. The wine was barrel aged in 100% new French oak. Loads of ripe black and red fruits like plums and cherries, along with leather and tobacco from the Malbec, and super-silky tannins make for a wine that is already showing well now, but should have a nice long life ahead!

pH 3.72; TA .56 g/100ml; Alcohol 14.5% Vineyards: Ciel du Cheval, Champoux, Snipes Canyon Ranch, Wahluke Slope

Suggested Retail: \$50/bottle ~ Wine Illusionist Society Discounts Apply