



NxNW: North by Northwest represents wines made from inland grape growing appellations of the Columbia River Basin of Oregon and Washington. The NxNW winemakers have developed strong, creative relationships with growers and fellow winemakers in the Columbia River Appellation and throughout the northwest viticultural region - leading to this richly textured wine. NxNW is a unique lens for capturing the essence of terroir, the character of the people, and the quality of the wines from this great new emerging winegrowing region.

### **2005 NxNW Columbia Valley Syrah**

**FINAL ANALYSIS:** 14.5% alcohol; TA: 0.60 g/100 ml; pH: 3.77 **PRODUCTION:** 348 cases

#### **HARVEST NOTES**

The 2005 vintage had perfect conditions for balanced viticulture as it followed the hard 2004 winter. The weather was near perfect in the Columbia Valley from bud break to harvest as there was a cool fruit set in June and intense sunshine with little rain during the ripening period. The vintage produced lower yields, more concentrated small berries, with highly concentrated flavors. The 2005 Vintage will be remembered as one of the finest in Washington history.

#### **WINEMAKER TASTING NOTES**

Color: Deep Garnet

Aroma: Cocoa, white pepper, plum, and cedar.

Flavor: Cherry, cocoa, caramel, and black pepper with a rich mouthfeel and lingering finish.