

# TENOR

TENOR A continuous, unwavering course. With this in mind, our goal is to produce wines that consistently deliver finesse, refinement, power and grace.

**THE BLENDS:** We compose two premier blended wines each year by using the best fruit from the best vineyards and select only the very best barrels. Both wines are a reflection of Mother Nature's gift upon harvest and homage to the Bordeaux region of France. From each of our vineyard holdings, we have selected the five traditional red grape varietals to compose our two blended wines. Those are: Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Malbec and Petit Verdot.

First, we blend to reflect a style similar to the wines found on the "Left Bank" of Bordeaux. This consists mostly of Cabernet Sauvignon and consistently delivers power, structure, finesse and longevity. We've named this wine 1:1 (one-of-one); which stems from "new chapter, new beginning". Similar to its name, we look at each vintage as a new chapter in the history of our winery and a new beginning for the 1:1. Second, we select the best Merlot of the harvest to blend with the other varietals to reflect a style of wine found on the "Right Bank" of Bordeaux. We've named this wine 2:2 (two-of-two). Using Merlot as the majority and foundation of the wine, we blend in Cabernet Franc as the next largest percentage. This wine is intentionally softer, showing more red fruit with a richer texture in its youth but will age gracefully as great Washington State Merlot has proven. Each varietal is meant to support and add to the characteristics that the other varieties may lack- hence producing the most complete wine possible.

Our focus at Tenor is to produce wines that deliver finesse, refinement, power and grace. Please enjoy.

## 2010 TENOR 1:1, COLUMBIA VALLEY

"Sweetly ripe red fruit out in front of black currants, plum and raspberry ganache. A complex mixture of ripe fruit and hints of Asian spice box, vanilla bean and a black tea potpourri. Great persistence and depth with freshness and a heady mixture of ripe red fruit and a savory herb distillate. Texture, polish and presence with fine tannins and an understated structure to last for decades. Less brooding than previous vintages with more show and polish."

- Aryn Morell, Winemaker



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**2010 Tenor 1:1:** Looking at the top, Cabernet Sauvignon dominated release, the 2010 1:1 Columbia Valley incorporates slightly more Merlot than normal and checks in as 42% Cabernet Sauvignon, 31% Merlot, 19% Cabernet Franc and 8% Malbec that spent 20 months in 100% new French oak. It offers fabulous purity in its cassis, licorice, toasted spice, graphite and lead pencil shaving like aromas and flavors. Full-bodied, tight, focused and elegant, with integrated acidity and building tannin that comes through with additional time in the glass, this rock star Bordeaux blend will have upwards of two decades of longevity.

Vineyards	Hedges Estate, Red Mountain, Stillwater Creek, Weinbau
Varieties	42% Cabernet Sauvignon, 26% Merlot, 23% Cabernet Franc, 9% Malbec
Ageing	20 months, 100% New French oak
Total Production	587 cases and 36 magnums