

# ABEJA



## 2005 CABERNET SAUVIGNON RESERVE BOTTLING – TWO

**HARVEST DATES:** October 5, 2005 – November 8, 2005

**VARIETAL COMPOSITION:** 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

**VINEYARD SOURCES:** Sagemoor Farms: 95.7% Bacchus & Dionysus, 4.3% Weinbau

**APPELLATION:** Columbia Valley

**OAK COMPOSITION:** 100% French, 100% new, medium toast; 100% Chateau, 3 year air dried

**BARREL AGING:** 28 months

**CHEMISTRY:** Alc. 14.9%, pH 3.77, TA .56 g/100ml

**BOTTLING DATE:** March 10, 2008

**RELEASE DATE:** November 1, 2008

**OPTIMUM TIME FOR CONSUMPTION:** Through 2018

At Abeja, a reserve designation is given to a rare Cabernet Sauvignon of extremely limited production. This 2005 reserve bottling is just our second vintage with this important designation. This wine reflects the absolute best of an extraordinary vintage and embodies our vision of classic Washington State Cabernet Sauvignon in its purest form.

From as many as thirty different Cabernet lots we select our finest, and from those we choose our favorite barrels and blend them. This particular vintage of reserve showcases the skill of our friends at Sagemoor Farms. From their portfolio of outstanding vineyard sites, Bacchus Blocks 3 and 9 and Weinbau Block 10 distinguished themselves early in the vintage. Planted in 1972, Bacchus is some of the state's oldest Cabernet Sauvignon, and these old vines have big personalities! Bacchus offers elegant, beautiful structure and richness. Weinbau, planted in 1995, contributes an old-world style, classic intensity, and concentration. Together, they make a wine that is both elegant and powerful, a perfect expression of our style.

As with our Cabernet Sauvignon, Reserve Bottling One, this wine is refined and graceful. Its intricate nose is filled with perfume and combined with richness and spice. It has a lush generous front, a mid-palate with beautiful fruit, silky luxurious tannins, and layers of complexity that take your palate down a long path to a magnificent finish. It was aged for twenty-eight months in one-hundred-percent new French oak barrels.

A classic wine deserves a classic album: *Next Voice You Hear: The Best of Jackson Browne* musician and now vintner!

We expect this wine to continue to unfold over the next seven years and to age gracefully for at least another ten. From all of us at Abeja, we hope you enjoy it for many years to come.

John Abbott—Winemaker