

# Kestrel Vintners

## Lady in Red 8<sup>th</sup> Edition



### WINERY:

Owners John and Helen Walker set out to craft superior wines at reasonable prices that would rival the best Washington wineries. To achieve this goal they selected an outstanding staff and encouraged them to be creative. They have 160 acres of Estate vines and access to several other prominent vineyards. Their winery opened in 1999.

### DESCRIPTION:

This wine possesses a deep garnet-red color, centering to near black. In the aroma you will find blueberry jam, cherry, red currant, blackberry and elderberry fruit flavors. These are balanced by tea, tobacco, cedar, earth, dried herbs, white pepper, and vanilla which develop in the glass and on your palate. The wine ripples with bright intense red fruit flavors, and finishes with lingering cherry, dried herbs, and blueberry notes. Lady in Red #8 is a full bodied wine with a silky smooth mouth feel and a lingering sweet finish.

### GRAPE:

Columbia valley

### WINEMAKING:

The fruit which composes Lady In Red #8 was carefully picked at its height of maturity, then de-stemmed and crushed leaving 15% whole berries.

### BLEND:

38% Merlot, 35% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Syrah, 5% Sangiovese, and 2% Viognier

### COOPERAGE:

Fermented at 85° F, in small batches, for 7 to 10 days, then gently pressed so as not to extract any harsh tannins. Forty percent was then aged in small oak barrels until bottling.

### ANALYSIS:

Alcohol 13.9%

### RELEASE:

June 2010

### PRODUCTION:

9988 cases

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