



## 2000 *Syrah*

Caleb Foster and Nina Buty Foster are pleased to offer our first syrah, 100% from the riverbed cobbles of the ancestral Walla Walla River. Cailloux Vineyard, grown by Christophe Baron, is located south of Walla Walla, just at the stateline with Oregon.

The mature grapes were harvested by hand on October 14, 2000, at 23.9° brix, 3.25 pH, and 8.1 g/L acid. The syrah grapes were macerated on skins for nine days, basket pressed, fermented and aged in 100% French oak: two year old Francois Freres and Sirugue Burgundy barrels.

The delicate wine underwent full malolactic fermentation, no fining, and was bottled after thirteen months on November 20, 2001, with a pH of 3.90 and 13.8% alcohol.

Twenty-four cases were produced.