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89 Buty Conner Lee Vineyard Chardonnay Columbia Valley 2006 Full yellow. Sexy aromas of stone fruits, pineapple and lemon oil. Supple and silky on the palate....This chardonnay boasts a chewy texture and finishes with very good length.

89 Buty Merlot & Cabernet Franc Columbia Valley 2006 Good full ruby. Smoky aromas of truffle and game. Fat, sweet and rich with extract, with the raspberry fruit complemented by a sexy woodsmoke character. Finishes with a distinctly smoky quality. Nicely juicy wine but also more pliant than the 2005 version at the same stage.

89(+) **Buty Columbia Rediviva Horse Heaven Hills 2005** Bright ruby-red. Deep aromas of cassis, black plum and smoky herbs. Juicy, dry and tightly wound, but with good depth to the black fruit and licorice flavors....Aeration brought a finishing note of licorice, along with aromatic violet lift.

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89 Buty Rediviva of the Stones Walla Walla Valley 2004 Good bright ruby-red. Expressive nose offers dark berries, mocha, smoke, gunflint and a whiff of beefsteak tomato. Lush, round and seamless....with a complicating note of smoked meat. Showing plenty of oak on the aftertaste.

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90 Buty Conner Lee Vineyard Chardonnay Columbia Valley 2003 Bright pale yellow. Fresh, subtle aromas of pear and nectarine complicated by dusty acacia and dogwood notes. Rich, juicy and firm, with flavors of orchard and citrus fruits and stone supported by a rather serious structure. Long, dusty, clinging finish.

89 Buty Rediviva of the Stones Walla Walla Valley 2002 Dark ruby-red. Musky aromas of black raspberry and coffee....with dense, concentrated flavors of black raspberry and bitter cherry....the acidity is nicely integrated and the finish features fine tannins and sneaky length, along with a hint of tarry torrefaction.

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SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2002

89 **Buty** Woodward Canyon Vineyard Merlot & Cabernet Franc Walla Walla Valley 2000 Bright deep ruby-red. Blackberry, dark chocolate and nutty oak on the nose. Big, lush and sweet, with very black and red fruit flavors....has the concentration that suggests low yields....very impressive material, finishing quite lush, with big, chewy-but-ripe tannins and sweet oak.