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APRIL 8, 2009

93 Buty Champoux Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon & Cabernet Franc Horse Heaven Hills 2006 Supple and open, with lovely red berry, cherry, mint and spice flavors mingling effortlessly against superfine tannins, sailing easily through a long, focused finish. Drink now through 2016 —*H.S.*

92 Buty Merlot & Cabernet Franc Columbia Valley 2007 Lithe, open-textured and distinctive for its complex, rose petal-tinged blackberry, espresso and licorice flavors, mingling on the classy, expressive finish. Drink now through 2016 —*H.S.*

JANUARY/FEBRUARY, 2009

89 Buty Conner Lee Vineyard Chardonnay 2007 Crisp, with a silky layer of pear and spice flavors that persist into the harmonious finish. —*H.S.*

DECEMBER, 2008

93 Buty Columbia Rediviva Horse Heaven Hills 2005 Polished, generous and beautifully focused to display its violet-tinged currant and blackberry flavors, lingering on the open-textured finish. This shows more of the texture and flavor profile of Cabernet than Syrah, and it works elegantly. Best from 2010 through 2015. —*H.S.*

JUNE 15, 2008

92 Buty Merlot & Cabernet Franc Columbia Valley 2006 Bright and juicy, with focused blackberry and floral aromas and flavors. A waft of rose petal adds interest as the silky texture carries through the finish. —*H.S.*

MARCH 31, 2008

91 Buty Columbia Rediviva Horse Heaven Hills 2004 Ripe and rich, with sharply focused blackberry and cherry flavors, hinting at mint and loamy earth as the finish rolls on against silky tannins. Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah. Drink now through 2014. 280 cases made. —*H.S.*

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JUNE 15, 2007

91 Buty Rediviva Of The Stones Walla Walla Valley 2004 Supple, refined and generous with its red plum, black cherry and gentle spice flavors mingling with hints of meat and coffee as the finish persists against polished tannins. Syrah and Cabernet Sauvignon. Best from 2008 through 2014. 161 cases made. —*H.S.*

90 Buty Merlot & Cabernet Franc Columbia Valley 2005 Densely packed, this is a spicy mouthful of pepper and red chili accented blackberry and dried currant flavors that linger on the relatively gentle finish. Needs time to settle. Best after 2008. 420 cases made. —*H.S.*

MAY 31, 2007

89 Buty Columbia Rediviva Columbia Valley 2003 Dusky spice flavors add an extra dimension to this raspberry-and-cream-dominated blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah. The polished, open-textured finish carries the flavors gently. Drink now through 2012. 355 cases made. —*HS*

JUNE 15, 2006

90 Buty Rediviva Of The Stones Walla Walla Valley 2003 Black as ink, with intense plum and pepper aromas and flavors, but it gets more cuddly as the fruit takes prominence in the mouth and picks up a mineral note on the finish. Tannins are nicely polished and integrated. Syrah and Cabernet Sauvignon. Drink now through 2012. —*H.S.*

SEPTEMBER 30, 2005

91 Buty Rediviva Of The Stones Walla Walla Valley 2002 A subtle red in a lithe, refined style. Juicy huckleberry and currant flavors are shaded with earthy, floral touches as the finish lingers against fine-grained tanins. Syrah and Cabernet Sauvignon. Drink now through 2012. 185 cases made. —*H.S.*

APRIL 30, 2005

91 Buty Conner Lee Vineyard Chardonnay Columbia Valley 2003 Ripe, round and beautifully focused, pointing its citrusy pear and apple flavors through the long, generous finish, finding a deft balance among the fruit, oak and welcome acidity. Drink now through 2008. 292 cases made. —*H.S.*

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APRIL 30, 2005

90 Buty Columbia Rediviva Columbia Valley 2001 The ripe, generous style has a live wire of acidity running through, but with plenty of dark cherry, plum and tobacco flavors to balance, persisting into a long, plump finish. Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah. Drink now through 2014. 234 cases made. —*H.S.*

90 Buty Rediviva Of The Stones Walla Walla Valley 2001 Ripe, focused and generous, polished in texture and layered with blackberry, currant, cedar and a distinctive mint character that runs through the aromas and flavors. Has real personality and verve. Syrah and Cabernet Sauvignon. Drink now through 2010. —*H.S.*

JUNE 15, 2004

90 Buty Conner Lee Vineyard Chardonnay Columbia Valley 2002 Bright and appealing, with jazzy white grapefruit, green berry and vaguely custardy flavors that linger on the refreshingly citrusy finish. Drink now through 2007. 213 cases made. —*H.S.*

OCTOBER 15, 2003

89 Buty Roza Bergé Chardonnay Yakima Valley 2001 Smooth and ripe. Lovely stuff that shows off rich pear and sweet spice flavors without getting heavy-handed about it, finishing with a touch of mineral. Drink now through 2005. 222 cases made. —*H.S.*