



# 2004 Merlot “Naked”

## About Naked Winery

### Our Philosophy:

We are on a mission to produce premium class Washington and Oregon wines, with exotic brands and provocative back labels that are just a bit risqué. We aim to please the palate, change the conversation and enhance the romantic experience of wine.

We believe that the entire experience around wine should be fun. Read our back labels or have your mother-in-law read the back label aloud at your next family function. As we say, drink what you like. And who wouldn't like to get a little Naughty now and then?



### About Us:

Naked Winery is headquartered in Hood River, Oregon. Our vineyards are located in the Willamette Valley, Rogue Valley in Southern Oregon, Columbia Valley in Eastern Washington and the Columbia Gorge area. Our current varietals are: Pinot Noir, Pinot Gris, Sangiovese, Syrah, Merlot, Muscat, Cabernet, Chardonnay and Riesling. We will soon be releasing a Barbera and Nebbiolo to round out our Italian varietals. The vineyards in the coastal areas of Oregon benefit from the cool pacific marine layers of the Willamette and Rogue Valleys to produce subtle and complex wines. The vines in our Eastern Washington vineyards struggle with just enough drip irrigated water to produce exceptional fruit for our big bold Cabernet, Chardonnay, and Merlot.

## The Wine Facts

A hot early and mid-growing season in 2004 followed by a cool fall created a longer harvest, resulting in wines with ripe, rich flavors. Aging in mostly American oak barrels with just enough French oak in the mix, keeps the palate balanced between spice and smokiness. Rich plum fruit with floral hints of violet combined with soft tannins that develop a luscious mouth feel with a smooth finish. We like this Merlot with a deep fried artichoke hearts as starter and chocolate truffle cake for dessert.

Label No:	001
Appellation:	Columbia Valley, Washington
Alcohol:	14.5%
Barrel Regime:	Barrel aged 12 months in both American and French Oak
Blend:	93.3% Merlot, 4.7% Cab. Franc, 1% Sangiovese, 1% Cabernet Sauvignon
Brix at Harvest:	25
Cases Produced:	Around 800
PH:	3.7
Release Date:	December 1, 2006
Suggested Retail:	\$18.69
UPC Code:	852620001000
Vintage:	2004

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