

2003

ONYX

Bordeaux

Red Mountain

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Artist Series VII

"Raspberry and cherry with notes of violets lift from the glass and mingle with soft spice and toasted oak on the nose. Smooth, lush flavors of blackberry, black cherry, and cassis wrap around a core of full, yet soft, structured tannins. Cedar notes with light touches of spice fold into lingering cherry and berry flavors surrounded by a sea of rich chocolate on the long, silky finish."

Keith Pilgrim - Winemaker

Vineyard

Red Mountain Estate Vineyard
Growing Conditions - The 2003 growing season started early with a typical bud break in mid-April. The warm summer days coupled with the cool nights allowed the grapes to develop a huge amount of structure, depth and elegance.

Blend

- 60% Cabernet Sauvignon
- 35% Merlot
- 3% Malbec
- 1% Cabernet Franc
- 1% Petit Verdot

Harvest

- Sugar - 25.1° Brix
- Titratable Acidity - 0.570g/100ml
- pH - 3.55

Upon arriving at the winery the grapes are hand sorted, de-stemmed, and crushed directly into a selection of both open and closed fermenters. We typically desire up to a week of cold soaking of the fruit prior to inoculation with one of over a dozen yeast strains we commonly select. The fermentation process ranges from five days to more than two weeks.

Bottle

- Titratable Acidity - 0.555g/100ml
- pH - 3.58
- Alcohol - 13.5% by volume
- Production - 630 cases



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