



2004

NIGHT & DAY OREGON RED WINE

TASTING NOTES

Saturated dark blood-red color from the rim to a near opaque center. Strong complex initial aromas of cassis, pepper, slate, iron, blackberries, cocoa, smoke, chocolate-covered dark cherries, pencil shavings and tar. As the wine opens, aromas of game, cedar, boysenberries, cookie dough, truffles, ripe plums and red currants emerge. In the mouth, the attack mirrors the initial aromatics with juicy, focused red and black fruits. As the wine continues to move across the palate, ripe tannins lend focus and balance to the lush and generous fruit. The concentrated and succulent mid-palate gives shape and great depth to the wine as it moves to the finish. Blue fruit flavors combine with a striking minerality to push the finish along forever. The final flavors end on a strong note of bittersweet cocoa. Continuing the tradition of typicity, excellence and affordability demonstrated by Southern Oregon and A to Z, the 2004 Night and Day is a new classic in the making.

WINE

Mostly showcasing Southern Oregon's pristine Del Rio and Abacela Vineyards, A to Z's 2004 Night & Day is comprised in the main of Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Cabernet Sauvignon. Syrah, Dolcetto, Petit Verdot, Nebbiolo and Tempranillo were blended in for complexity, heightened aromatics and interest. 100% barrel-aged with some new wood for almost 18 months; 5,000 cases were bottled in September 2006.

VINTAGE

The Bordeaux and Rhone varieties thrived in the late heat of the Indian summer in Southern Oregon. The higher elevation vineyards, the older vineyards and the younger vineyards all ripened at the same time and we were blessed with an evenness at harvest. The clusters were perfect, with beautiful ripe aromatics combined with deeper notes of red, black and blue fruits. The broad range of flavors across all varietals and the minerality present mark a great vintage.

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