

# Tasting Notes

## 2006 Calico Red Columbia Valley



**Vintage Notes:** Seen from the perspective of our individual vineyards and the actual ripening process of the fruit, 2006 was an outstanding year. Consistent heat from the sun combined with persistent winds cooled the vineyards during the day and made for optimum ripening factors. These influences combined with wonderfully low nightly temperatures and balanced yields provided us with grapes of great concentrated flavors and very fine-grained ripe tannins. Across the board, 2006 is a very solid vintage at Bergevin Lane Vineyards!

### Tasting Notes:

Dark berries, spice, minerality, and earth combined with violets, some liquorish and pleasant hints of vanilla and oak marks the beginning of this wine. Fresh young smooth tannins and integrated acidity bind fruit and structure together implying great potential of further complexity development with some extended bottle aging or if preferred now decanting for at least an hour.

**Appellation/Vineyards:** Ash Hollow, Alder Ridge, Eagle Ranch, Francisca's Vineyard, Forgotten Hills, Stone Tree, Les Collines, Spring Creek Vineyards

**Final Blend:** 36% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon, 25% Syrah, 7% Zinfandel, 2% Cab Franc

**Ageing:** Aged 10 months in French, American, & neutral barrels

### Bottle Date & Cases Produced:

August 20, 2007 3500 Cases

**Winemaking notes:** Our most fruit forward and elegant lots are used to create this wonderful red table blend. The idea is to make a balanced, harmonious early drinking wine but still with the real BLV flavor known from our higher end releases intact. An everyday blend for everyday enjoyment just taken to another level!