



2006 Grand Reve Collaboration Series II

The 2006 Collaboration II was produced from two clones of Syrah along with 3% Viognier co-fermented. It exhibits a room-filling bouquet reminiscent of Guigal La Mouline with floral notes, bacon, and blueberry. Sweet, dense, layered, and plush, this silky, rich, totally pleasure-bent effort is already offering considerable complexity as well as impeccable balance and a 60-second finish. Grand Reve Vintners is a collaboration between Paul McBride and Ryan Johnson to grow grapes and produce wine focused on the Red Mountain AVA. They are planting the first hillside vineyard in Red Mountain on the slopes above Col Solare at 955 to 1230 feet of elevation. The winemaking is in the hands of five top local winemakers, Ben Smith (Collaboration I) making a Cabernet blend, Ross Mickel (Collaboration II) a Rhone blend, Mark McNeilly (Collaboration III) a Syrah, Carolyn Lakewold (Collaboration IV) a...

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