



2008 K "Ovide" — Walla Walla Valley
67% Cabernet Sauvignon & 33% Syrah, En Cerise

Tasting Notes: Soft violet and lavender on the nose. Black cherry, black olive, sweet pipe tobacco, earthy and brooding with a big finish....a taste of crushed velvet, for my father, Robert Ovide. —*Charles Smith*

Score 95 (2007 Vintage) **The Wine Spectator**, October 2010

"Big and generous, but stays light enough on its feet to make the powerful black olive-scented currant, plum and peppery spice flavors sing with refinement. An undercurrent of minerality adds interest and depth, and the finish persists impressively." —Harvey Steiman

Score 93 (2007 Vintage) **Robert Parker, The Wine Advocate**, September 2010

"Meaty, gamey, and kinky on the nose, on the palate it is medium to full-bodied with an easy-going personality. This friendly effort is loaded with fruit, Asian spices, and herbs leading to a lengthy, pure finish. Give it 2-3 years to fill out although it can be enjoyed now." —Jay Miller

Score 95 (2006 Vintage) **Robert Parker, The Wine Advocate**, October 2009

"Liquid minerals, smoked meat, bacon, blueberry, and blackberry liquor explode from the glass. Full-bodied, dense, and super-rich, this impeccably balanced, lengthy blend will benefit from 8-10 years of cellaring and should drink well for who knows how long, but I'd like to be there to find out." —Jay Miller

Vineyard:

En Cerise: Freewater cobbly loam over gravel sand, an ancient dried riverbed located on the floor of the Walla Walla Valley, biodynamically farmed. Planted in 1997.

Technical Information:

Yield: 1.9 tons per acre

Total Production: 217cases

Sorting: 1 time

Release date: September 1, 2010

Yeasts: Native

Alcohol: 14.5%

Treatment: Punch down

Total Acid: .580

Malolactic Fermentation: yes

pH: 3.77

Ageing: French Burgundy Barrels

Residual Sugar: none

Fining: none