

**THE  
VELVET  
DEVIL  
MERLOT  
2009  
WASHINGTON STATE**



LAND TO HAND, VINEYARD TO BOTTLE.

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**COLUMBIA VALLEY**

**2009**

**VINTED & BOTTLED BY**

**CHARLES SMITH WINES**

**MATTAWA WASHINGTON USA**

**GOVERNMENT WARNING:** (1) ACCORDING TO THE SURGEON GENERAL, WOMEN SHOULD NOT DRINK ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DURING PREGNANCY BECAUSE OF THE RISK OF BIRTH DEFECTS. (2) CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IMPAIRS YOUR ABILITY TO DRIVE A CAR OR OPERATE MACHINERY, AND MAY CAUSE HEALTH PROBLEMS.

750 ML / CONTAINS SULFITES / ALC. 13.5% BY VOL.

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## **2009 The Velvet Devil Merlot — Columbia Valley**

**(90.6% Merlot, 9.4% Cabernet Sauvignon)**

**Tasting Notes:** PURE VELVET! Milk chocolate, wild blackberry, baking spice, rose oil...beautifully perfumed Washington in a glass...Velvet Devil? *HELL YEAH!* —Charles Smith

### **WHY VELVET DEVIL?**

**IT MAKES MERLOT SOUND SEXY...BECAUSE IT IS!**

### **Technical Information**

**Vineyards:** 79% Yakima Valley and 21% Wahluke Slope

**Elevage:** Fermented in stainless steel, French oak aged. Bright violet-red color extends to primary aromatics revealing chocolate covered cherries and suggestions of smoke and cedar. A purposefully elegant tannin profile puts this Merlot in an entirely new category, providing an ultra-smooth character that will appeal to all palates.

**2009 The Velvet Devil** is classic Washington State Merlot—hallmark Columbia Valley. It is ready to drink, at a great price, and tastes like the vineyards from which it came, facts that also makes it classic “Modernist Project.”

Release Date: September 2010

Alcohol: 13.5%

Total Acid: .53

pH: 3.69

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