



## 2007 Small Lot Series Riesling Yakima Valley

### Masterful Wines from Washington State

Columbia Winery was founded in 1962 by ten friends, six of whom were University of Washington professors. Originally known as Associated Vintners, the group was united in the belief that classic European vinifera vines could survive the harsh Washington winters and that fine wine could be made in Washington State.

Today, a team of winemakers, led by Director of Winemaking Kerry Norton, are maintaining the Columbia Winery tradition of innovation and the crafting of excellent Washington State wines.

### Winemaker's Notes

This premier offering from Columbia Winery's Small Lot Series of wines is Director of Winemaking Kerry Norton's expression of an Alsace-style Riesling.

The 2007 Small Lot Series Riesling was sourced exclusively from the higher elevations of primarily the Art DenHoed and Red Willow vineyards in Yakima Valley which are located on gradual southern slopes with moderately deep gravel and glacial silt. The vineyards have enough soil to support comparatively large, shady leaf canopies that protect the fruit from the hot summer temperatures. The higher-elevation sloping sites ensure a cooler growing season and protection from frost which guarantees a late-season harvest, both of which are crucial for this style of wine.

### Tasting Notes

Light green straw in color with traditional flavors of lime, kiwi and hints of peach with some creamy notes along with bright acidity and balancing warmth. The slightly perceptible sweetness, along with balance between acidity and fruit, gives this Riesling backbone and body that pairs beautifully with a wide variety of meats and spicier cuisines.

### Varietal

Riesling 100%

### Appellation

Yakima Valley

### Bottling

Total Acidity	6.9 g/L
pH	3.05
Residual Sugar	1.3%
Alcohol	13%
Cases Produced	7,000
Release Date	April 2008

