

CANYON WIND

"We're really focused on letting the grape do the work and of allowing what you did in the vineyard to become the liquid you'll be working with."

*-Jay Christianson
Second Generation, Canyon Wind Cellars*

WINEMAKER'S NOTES:

One of the original grapes planted in the vineyard in 1991, Cabernet Franc was initially used as a blending grape added to our Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon. The decision was made in 2005; however, to let this grape shine on its own. This wine was created in our traditionally inspired low-intervention winemaking style. Post-fermentation, the wine was placed into a 11-month oak barrel program consisting of new, one and two-year old American and French oak.

2009 was the coldest year since our first planting. The extended time needed to bring the fruit to full ripeness led to a wine with delicate aromas of bright violet and blueberry. Concentrated red fruit, supple mouthfeel with a well structured mid-palate and good finish lead to a noteworthy wine to be enjoyed now or with age. 194 cases produced.



CANYON WIND

Cabernet Franc



Grand Valley, Colorado

WINE PROFILE:

VARIETAL BLEND:

95% CABERNET FRANC

5% PETIT VERDOT

VINTAGE:

2009

APPELLATION:

GRAND VALLEY AVA

TERROIR:

100% RIVERSIDE VINEYARD

TECHNICAL DATA:

ALCOHOL:

14.9%

WINE ACIDITY:

5.58 g/L

WINE pH:

3.68