

Alexandria Nicole Cellars

2009

# Merlot

*Horse Heaven Hills*

**T**antalizing aromas of dark chocolate, ripe berries, leather with hints of tobacco and floral notes give way to a rich mouth feel with lovely acidity. The wine has bold black cherry pie nuances, touches of black currant and hints of spice in the mid-palate, before finishing with subtle oak. This Merlot is powered by its bold fruit flavors yet balance with silky smooth refined tannins for a lengthy finish. A lovely young to decant with Kobe beef, this has the stamina for aging three years more.



#### JUST THE STATS

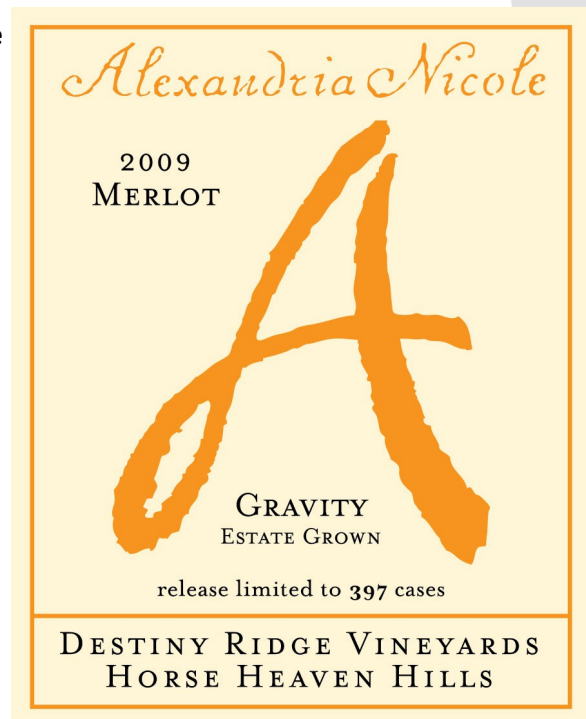
**Destiny Ridge Vineyard**

**Aged 20 months in 75% new French Oak barrels & 25% 2 year old French Oak**

**86% Merlot, 6% Malbec, 6% Cabernet Franc, 1% Petit Verdot and 1% Carmenere**

**Release limited to 397 cases**

**\$24 / 750ml. bottle (Retail)**



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