



*Alexandria Nicole Cellars*

## 2011 "GRAVITY" MERLOT

Dark in color our 2011 "Gravity" Merlot is approachable, yet deeply rich with bold fruit flavors and firm refined tannins adding exceptional balance and length that manifest in every glass. With 2011 being one of the cooler growing seasons to date in Washington, this lovely and age-worthy wine was crafted to showcase how much Merlot can excel in cool weather, and it demonstrates dark yet vibrant fruit and aromatics of juicy blackberry and hints of vanilla bean. The tantalizing aromas are rich and inviting with more layers of dark chocolate and ripe berries mingling with leather and hints of floral notes. On the palate, lush flavors of black cherry, oak-inspired spice and black berry dominate, with the tannins adding structure and depth. If consuming before 2015, please decant or let it breathe while enjoying with friends

### ABOUT ALEXANDRIA NICOLE CELLARS

Founders Jarrod and Ali Boyle are dedicated to producing small lots of hand-crafted wine from our own Destiny Ridge Estate Vineyard. Through attentive viticulture management, balanced crop levels, gentle hand-harvesting and processing of grapes, and passionate winemaking, we produce consistent quality in every bottle. Located in the Horse Heaven Hills, our 327-acre estate vineyard is located high on the bluffs overlooking the majestic Columbia River. It is here, high on the dominate ridge, that our grapes thrive in these unique soils. It is here that our winemaker Jarrod nurtures the fruit quality from bud to bottle. Our belief is that quality starts in the vineyard.

### JUST THE STATS

- Vineyard:** Destiny Ridge Vineyard  
**Appellation:** Horse Heaven Hills  
**Aging:** Aged 22 months in 50% new French oak barrels and 50% 1-year-old French oak  
**Varietal:** 90% Merlot; 4% Cabernet Franc; 3% Petit Verdot and 3% Carménère  
**Production:** Release Limited to 464 cases

\$24 / 750ml. bottle (Retail)

Jarrod L. Boyle  
Winemaker

