

Va PIANO *Vineyards*

2004 Syrah

Harvest Dates:	October 8 - 12
Varietal Composition:	90% Syrah 10% Cabernet Sauvignon
Vineyard Sources:	Lewis Vineyards Portteus Vineyards
Appellation:	Columbia Valley
Oak Composition:	20% New French 20% American, 60% Neutral French Oak
Barrel Aging:	17 Months
Chemistry:	Alc 14.3%, pH 3.94, TA .62 g/100ml
Bottling Date:	April 15, 2006
Case Production:	185
Price:	\$38/750ml \$456/case

Vintage Description

Mother nature was very hard on us this vintage, winter temperatures reached as low as negative 18 degrees, eliminating our 2004 harvest. The good news is that we have had long term contracts with Portteus and Lewis vineyards, which allowed Va Piano to produce an amazing Syrah.

Winemaker Notes

The 2004 Syrah is a blend of 80% Lewis Vineyard in Prosser and 20% Portteus Vineyard towards Yakima. This eight-barrel lot is one of our favorite wines. The structure and elegance is inspiring and we are certain it will delight the palates of casual enthusiasts and fellow wine-geeks alike. 2004 Syrah showcases intense aromas of rich black cherry, plum, and a hint of mineral. Flavors of blueberry, blackberry, and cherry linger in the finish.