



2007 La Contrada, Lachini Vineyards Red Wine, Walla Walla Valley, WA

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| Total production (12 bottle equivalents) | 105 cases |
| Release Date – | November 21, 2009 |
| Alcohol – | 14.8% |
| pH – | 3.69% |
| TA (g/100ml) – | 0.55 |
| Harvested from October 3rd - 14^h, 2007 | |
| Vineyards: | Seven Hills, Heather Hills, Sagemoor, Dwelly Jones & Nostra Terra |
| Vines: | 33% Cabernet Sauvignon 39% Merlot 22% Malbec 6% Petite Verdot |
| Aging: | 22 months in 100% French oak barrels - 40% new / 60% one year old |
| Finishing: | Bottled unfinned and unfiltered on Nov. 20, 2009 |
| U.S. suggested retail bottle price - | \$45.00 / 750 ml \$100.00 / 1.5L magnum |
| Consulting Winemaker: | Jamie Brown of Water's Winery / 21 Grams Winery |

The debut of this spectacular Bordeaux-inspired red blend from Washington's Walla Walla Valley! This polished and hedonistic red wine showcases the essence of one of Washington's finest growing "districts" (*La Contrada* in Italian). *La Contrada* is derived from the Palio; the famed horse race tradition around the Siena's town square in Italy. Amazingly complex, with exceptional richness and balance; this sophisticated blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Malbec and Petite Verdot is a testament not only to the region, but the 2007 vintage. It is a combination of both mature and meticulously managed vineyards, who's beauty and expression are far greater than the sum of it's parts.

TASTING NOTES

Brick-like color, with concentrated fruit and sensational structure. Bright fruit bursts of dark cherries, currants and pomegranate combined with herbal notes of anise, black licorice and dusty earth. It is naturally reveals a nice balance of acids and integrated tannins that will reward patience while the lush, forward-fruit palate coaxes with near term pleasure. The combination of old vines, varying sites and traditional blended varietals add layers of mid-palate depth and complexity. The finish lingers with noticeable tell-tale tannins which should make for a very age-worthy wine. We can't help but think it will evolve beautifully over the years. *Age 3–15+ years.*

REVIEWS

The Wine Spectator rated the 2007 WA vintage **95–100 PTS** – it's highest WA vintage rating to date! ~*"Near perfect conditions"* H.S.

The Wine Advocate rates the 2007 WA vintage ~ **92 POINTS** | **EXCELLENT** | *Still tannic, youthful or slow to mature. Drink or hold.*

