

Coyote Canyon Winery

2004 Best Red

35% Cabernet Sauvignon, 35% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Franc
18 months on new and used French oak

Horse Heaven Hills AVA
Coyote Canyon Vineyard

*“A ripe and tasty Bordeaux blend with vivid notes
of blackberry, vanilla and cedar.”*

Coyote Canyon Vineyard’s 2004 vintage was blessed by ideal growing conditions.

Our 2004 growing season began with a typical early April bud break, but by the end of spring, Washington State was in drought conditions-- this resulted in the need for early irrigation management.

A cool spell in late September and early October pushed most of the harvest back two weeks. The added hang time allowed the fruit a final integration phase, which softened mouth feel, and lowered acidity. The lower temperatures also prevented any additional water management-- thus allowing for smaller berries at harvest.

Once the cool spell was over, the rush to harvest was then greeted by a final burst of sunshine and heat, which further helped berry dehydration.

Overall, due to the higher levels of “vine stress” lower yields were harvested for all our varietals-- giving our 2004 harvest more concentrated fruit, depth, and added levels of integration.

Production: 135 cases

Alcohol: 14.5%

Total Acidity: .62

pH: 3.56