



2006 Feather Cabernet Sauvignon
Columbia Valley
Randy Dunn

Acclaimed Napa Valley vintner, Randy Dunn, has built a reputation for producing world-class Cabernet Sauvignons. He brings more than four decades of winemaking experience to the Columbia Valley to produce Feather, his only wine made outside of California.

Tasting Notes: Concentrated and beautifully balanced, Randy Dunn's 2006 Feather might best be described as "an iron fist in a velvet glove." This wine offers fresh, fragrant, fruity aromas; spicy, dark cherry on the palate and a silky mouth feel and lengthy finish.

Vintage: The Columbia Valley's growing seasons are remarkably consistent and the 2006 vintage was no exception. While there were some early worries that high heat accumulation in July and August would cause grapes to ripen too quickly, fall temperatures cooled just enough to slow ripening and allow flavors to develop fully. The resulting wines are wonderfully hedonistic and bursting with pure fruit aromas and flavors.

Winemaking: Randy is a frequent visitor to the Columbia Valley, checking his favorite vineyards for balance throughout the growing season and returning during harvest to inspect the grapes before making the call to pick. Like previous vintages of Feather, this 100% Cabernet Sauvignon is hand-harvested, fermented in small lots and aged 22 months in new Vicard French oak barrels, Randy's cooper of choice at Dunn Vineyards as well.

Vineyards: The 2006 Feather includes grapes from acclaimed Horse Heaven Hills vineyards (32%), such as Wallula, contributing dark fruit character and earthiness to the wine. Stillwater Creek on the Royal Slope of the Frenchman Hills (23%) brings fresh fruit aromas and balance. Grapes from the Wahluke Slope (19%) add beautiful structure and ripe tannins. With the primary blend complete, Randy relies on a wide assortment of diverse vineyards to add layers and complexity to the final blend.

Alcohol: 14.2%

pH: 3.72

TA: 0.57 grams / 100ml

Blend: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

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Production: 2,238 cases