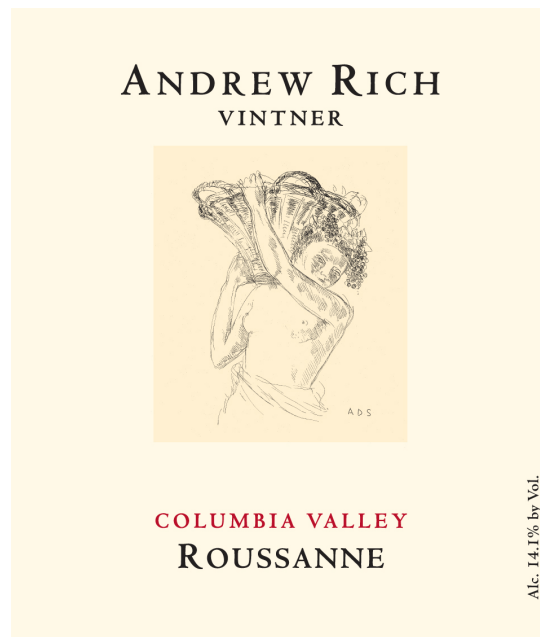


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2009 Roussanne Columbia Valley

It's hard to believe we are releasing our eighth vintage of Roussanne when only a dozen years ago this Rhône Valley varietal didn't even exist in Washington. Thankfully a handful of growers had the *couilles* to give it a try, because it's turning out to be well suited to the climate. The 2009 vintage was a warm one, and it shows in the weight of the wine, which is richer and perhaps a bit less mineral than either the '07 or '08. On the nose there is the tell tale honeysuckle note but less stoniness than usual. The mid-palate is full but not heavy, recalling stone fruits primarily, with just a bit of warmth poking through on the finish. For that reason I'd suggest serving it chilled, perhaps with crab, scallops, charcuterie, or anything else with inherent richness.



- Bottled September 2010
- 145 cases produced
- Fermented in neutral barrels
- Ciel du Cheval and Alder Ridge Vineyards

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