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## 100 Best WASHINGTON WINES

**10 TOP WINERIES** *and the* **FINEST VINTAGE EVER**

(Yes, really!)



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### #4 FORGOTTEN HILLS SYRAH Walla Walla Valley 2007, \$40

**94 points** Wines from Waters winemaker Jamie Brown stand out for their lower alcohol and higher acidity, and he focuses largely on single-vineyard syrah. This one has perfectly balanced fruit, acid, and tannins on an elegantly textured palate.

An aromatic wine with earth, sliced black olives, bright berries, floral notes, game, and a kiss of chocolate. Elegantly textured palate. A persistent finish caps off this exceptional effort. 100 percent syrah. Forgotten Hills Vineyard. 13.8 percent alcohol. 514 cases produced.

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### #97 CABERNET SAUVIGNON Columbia Valley 2006, \$50

**90 points** While Jamie Brown of Waters Winery is perhaps best known for his syrah, he shows an equally skilled touch with cabernet sauvignon. This 100 percent varietal wine comes from Cold Creek and Pepper Bridge vineyards.

A very pleasing nose with tobacco, cranberries, herbal notes, cherry, and earth. Tart and puckering on a fruit-filled palate. 100 percent cabernet sauvignon. Cold Creek and Pepper Bridge vineyards. 14.2 percent alcohol. 346 cases produced.