

2006 Havens Reserve Merlot

WHO: Havens WHAT: Merlot

WHERE: Carneros, California

WHEN: 2006

Primary fruits are black, but dark, blackberry ad unripe plums over secondary red fruits, raspberry and sour cherry. This one shows structure and layers, and is marked by herbal secondary flavors. It is tight, tannic, mouth-drying, and a little disjointed, needing two to five years of cellar life before it reaches its peak. But it would soften right away if paired with a porterhouse. DH

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