



CALONA VINEYARDS



artist series | no. 3 | A STORY THAT BEGINS ON THE LABEL AND FINISHES ON YOUR PALATE



Calona Vineyards *Artist Series* tells a story that begins on the label and finishes on your palate. It's about award-winning wines and wonderful art brought together to reflect each other's brilliance. Each painting is carefully selected for the special way it evokes the unique flavour of the wine. The classicism and sophisticated use of light in Sam Lam's "Bellezza II" wonderfully echoes the combination of balance, intensity and subtlety in our Merlot. It's an exhibition of individual taste and a showcase for the wines of Calona Vineyards.

#### MERLOT 2003

Our 2003 Merlot overflows with aromas of cherry and anise, combined with layers of vanilla and smoky oak notes. Velvet tannins round out the mid-palate and finish of this wine.

#### WINEMAKER NOTES

The excellent weather of the 2003 vintage gave us consistently ripened Merlot from the King Family Vineyards in Naramata. Careful attention to crushing, pressing, and barrel ageing has given us a soft, luscious-tasting wine.

#### VINTAGE AWARDS

2002	BRONZE	Canadian Wine Awards
2000	SILVER	Intervin International
1998	BRONZE	Okanagan Wine Festival

#### FOOD SUGGESTIONS

Barbequed ribs!

DRYNESS	DRY	•-----	SWEET
BODY	DELICATE	-----•	VERY FULL
ACIDITY	SOFT	-•-----	VERY CRISP
TANNINS	NONE	-----•	HEAVY
OAK	NONE	-----•	HEAVY

RELEASE DATE      APRIL 14, 2005

ALCOHOL	14.5%
PRODUCT NO.	+574095
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