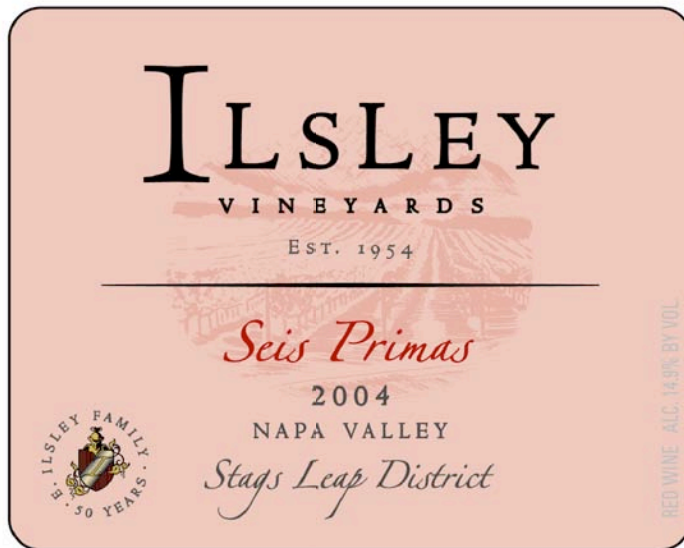


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## ILSLEY VINEYARDS TASTING NOTES 2004 SEIS PRIMAS



Vintage: 2004  
Appellation: Stags Leap District  
Blend: 50% Cabernet Sauvignon  
44% Malbec, 6% Merlot  
Winemaker: Craig MacLean  
Production: 200 Cases  
Harvest Date: September 2 to  
September 11, 2004  
Brix: Average 25.9  
ph: 3.75

The 2004 Seis Primas displays a brilliant ruby red color with a saturated rim. There is a bright cherry aroma with blackberry undertones and slight black currant, toasty oak mixed with milk chocolate, vanilla and rose petals. The entry is supple, round and well balanced, concentrated but not heavy. This wine offers refined, elegant, cherry, chocolate and coffee flavors with a delightfully smooth finish. Seis Primas is to be enjoyed now and will age beautifully over the next decade.

### Vintage Notes From David Ilsley

The 2004 growing season started early and was going along very nicely until we had a week long heat spell during the first days of September. Fortunately the Merlot and Malbec grapes were ripe and we had harvested them prior to the weather change. The mature Cabernet Sauvignon blocks were able to withstand the heat. No shriveling, good acidity and mature fruit flavors were evident when those blocks were harvested two weeks earlier than usual.

### Seis Primas

In 1996 our father Ed Ilsley added three acres of Malbec to the Estate Vineyard. Although there were very few acres planted in Stags Leap, he believed it was a variety well suited for our property. The wineries that purchased the fruit agreed. After tasting the wines that were made each year, he suggested Ilsley Vineyards create a wine to celebrate his six granddaughters: Kimberly, Julia, Alyssa, Analise, Kate and Olivia. Seis Primas is a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec and Merlot.

*We are proud of our vineyards and the fruit that they bear.*



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