



Vineyard: 100% Hearthstone
Harvest date: October 31, 2003
Sugars: 25 degrees brix
Ph: 3.50
TA: 7.5 g/L
Oak: 50% New French Oak
for 17 months

Finished Wine

Ph: 3.65
TA: 6.9 g/L
Alcohol: 13.9% by vol.
Bottling date: March 2005
Release Date: August, 2005
Suggested Retail: \$26.00/bottle
Number of cases: 101 cases

Vineyard Tech.'s

T/Acre: 1.7 tons per acre
Variety: Cabernet Franc
Rootstock: 3309
Planted: 1998
Spacing: 8 x 4
Trellis: Vertical Shoot Position
Pruning: Spur pruned
Orientation: Rows run N-S
Slope: 10%
Aspect: South-West
Soil: Silty-clay loam over limestone; 2 ft. deep topsoil

Located on the far West side of Paso Robles, touching the famed Tablas Creek Winery property. This steep hillside vineyard has a steep South exposure with a major component of Limestone rock underlain, known as 'bonerock' to the locals. The diurnal temperatures can be radical with highs in the summer reaching over 100 degrees with the same day lows dipping into the low 40's. It is the soil and climate that make this vineyard unique with great depth of flavors.

This is a very focused wine which expresses its terroir wonderfully. The color is a deep purple hue. The nose is very generous with aromas of black cherry, blackberries, cocoa with notes of lavender and violets. The flavors are very consistent with the aromas with black cherries, black raspberries with hints of truffles and chocolate. The structure has terrific balance with firm tannins making for a long finish.