

2008 CABERNET SAUVIGNON “Proprietary Blend”

RELEASE DATE	October 2011
PRODUCTION	1,500 cases
APPELLATION	100% Napa Valley
BLEND	75% Cabernet Sauvignon 14% Zinfandel 8% Petite Verdot 3% Petite Sirah
ANALYSIS	14.2% Alcohol 0.72 g/100mL TA 3.75 pH



The Wine

This was an enjoyable wine to put together, as it incorporates some varietals that we have not historically blended together for Maroon wines. The Cabernet Sauvignon base of the blend was medium bodied and exhibited dark and ripe berry fruit, both aromatically and on the palate. This Cabernet really lent itself to the blending in of the more muscular and firm Petit Verdot, which provides structure and a nice tannin framework to the blend. The small amounts of Petite Syrah and Zinfandel add a nice touch of spice to the aromas and the finish.

The Bottom Line

This wine has very nice aromas of ripe, dark berries and hints of chocolate and coffee on the nose. On the palate, the wine is medium bodied and expresses a nice balance from the attack through to the finish. We find layers of dark berries and chocolate and a very light acidity that adds a juicy vibrance to the finish. This wine will be a versatile complement to a variety of dishes.

Drink now through 2015.