

CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2003
100% Estate
Paso Robles

100% Estate from our Viking and HMR Vineyards. The Viking Vineyard is the perfect site for the production of ultra-premium cabernet sauvignon. The thin calcareous rich soils that overlay the limestone-clay bedrock ensure vine stress and incredible flavor concentration in the resulting wine. The south facing topography of the vineyard maximizes ripeness and flavor intensity. The 1700 ft. elevation enhances phenolic development, giving intense color and tannin structure.

The historic HMR Vineyard (planted in 1964) is located in the hills west of Paso Robles at an elevation of 1,600 – 1,900 feet. Just 14 miles from the Pacific Ocean, its distinctive microclimate benefits from a cooling marine influence. The calcareous soils give the wine a complex element of terroir-focused flavors.



VINEYARD DETAILS:

AVA: Paso Robles
Vineyards: 85% Viking Estate Vineyard,
15% HMR Estate Vineyard
Elevation: 1,600 feet – 1,900 feet
Grade: 15% – 30%
Soil: Calcareous Limestone
Clones: 8 (Viking), HMR Selection (HMR)
Rootstocks: 110R (Viking), Own-Rooted (HMR)
Planted Acres: 15 (Viking), 13 (HMR)

VINTAGE DETAILS:

Varietal: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Cases: 660 cases produced
Release Date: November 1, 2006
CA Suggested Retail: \$30

HARVEST DATES:

Sept. 22 – Oct. 17, 2003

TECHNICAL DATA:

Alcohol: 15.1%
pH: 3.42
TA: 7.5
Brix: 25
Yield: 2 tons/acre
Fermentation: 11 – 14 days in open
top fermenters; punched down by
hand twice daily

COOPERAGE:

Barrel aged 22 months in 100%
French oak (about 30% new).
Bottled: September 9, 2005, Unfined,
Unfiltered.