2009 “Il Campo” Estate Field Blend

This single-vineyard estate field blend comes from our home ranch in the western hills of Healdsburg. This head-pruned southern exposure vineyard is entirely hillside, growing intense and concentrated fruit. We pick our 5-acres of Zinfandel and 1-acre of Petite Sirah together and co-ferment them together. The grapes are picked at the crack of dawn, a mere 200 yards from our crush pad to be gently de-stemmed, after which the grapes were cold soaked before fermentation for 5 days to gently extract color and flavor. Immediately following fermentation the wine was barrel aged in 100% French oak for 18 months. Blackberries, black pepper, brown spice and baked pie crust dominate the opulent aromas. The entry reminds one of fresh bing cherries and pomegranates followed by deep flavors of black cherries, currants and vanilla and oak tones. Rich, silky tannins round out the finish. A unique, powerful wine!

Wine Details

Harvest Dates: October 12, 2009
Grape Varieties: Zinfandel and Petite Sirah
American Viticulture Appellation: Dry Creek Valley
Barrel Aging: 18 months in 100% French Oak Barrels
Percentage of New Oak: 40%
Alcohol: 15.4%
pH: 3.76
Total Acidity: 0.72 g/100mL
Residual Sugar: Dry
Number of Cases Bottled: 494
Bottling Date: February 8, 2011
Suggested Consumption Dates: Drink Now Through 2019