



2007 Estate Grown Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon Patzimaro Vineyard

Our Patzimaro Vineyard is located in the St. Helena appellation at the base of Spring Mountain. The site was named after the town of Patzimaro de Aviña in honor of the Hurtado Family, an essential part of the Duckhorn Vineyards winemaking team who migrated from this small village to the Napa Valley in 1987. The vineyard enjoys high daytime temperatures that help to fully ripen the grapes and cool evenings that allow the fruit to retain the natural acidity needed to create balanced, elegantly structured wines.

2007 Harvest Notes

The 2007 growing season began early and was unusually dry, with rainfall totals that were 50 percent below average. Cool spring weather continued into the summer with temperatures down by approximately 5 degrees from August through October. The cool, steady weather produced a long harvest spread out over 80 days. This relaxed pace allowed us to pick in multiple passes, ensuring ideal ripening and flavor development in the fruit.

Comments from the Winemaker

This wine could only be from Patzimaro Vineyard! From its signature elements of olive, earth, black truffle and thyme to its enticing layers of black currant, caramel and dark red fruit, this wine possesses a robust structure and a finish that seems to linger for an eternity. To add even more depth, complexity and compelling mid-palate structure, the final blend incorporates Cabernet Franc.

Varietal Content

81% Cabernet Sauvignon, 19% Cabernet Franc

Harvest Information

Appellation: Napa Valley Sub-appellation: St. Helena Harvest Dates: September 1—October 31, 2007 Average Sugar at Harvest: 27.2 ° Brix Patzimaro Vineyard

Cooperage

100% French oak, Chateau-style barrels (60 gallons) Barrel Aging: 20 months Age of Barrels: 100% new

Production/Technical Data

Alcohol: 14.5% .59 g/100 ml titratable acidity 10-12 days fermentation at 80°F pH: 3.56

Bottled: July 2009 Release Date: September 2010