

DUCKHORN

VINEYARDS

NAPA VALLEY



**2008 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.

**2008 Harvest Notes**

Though the 2008 growing season presented certain challenges—from early frosts to drought conditions—a meticulous approach to viticulture and sorting yielded small crops with good concentration, highlighting soft, appealing tannins for our red varieties and bright acidity for our white grapes. A long, moderately cool summer led to a harvest that commenced in mid-August and concluded in early November. This relatively relaxed pace allowed us to pick in numerous passes to ensure quality, often focusing on individual rows or a single side of the vines.

**Comments from the Winemaker**

With its signature notes of black truffle, olive and wet earth, this wine is unmistakably from Patzimaro Vineyard. The earthy entry leads to a silky mid-palate that balances lush fruit, lifted acidity, approachable tannins and well-integrated oak, all leading to a lingering black currant finish with hints of tobacco leaf and anise.

**Varietal Content**

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

**Harvest Information**

Appellation: Napa Valley

Sub-appellation: St. Helena

Harvest Dates: October 13-27, 2008

Average Sugar at Harvest: 28.3 ° Brix

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**Cooperage**

100% French oak, Chateau-style barrels (60 gallons)

Barrel Aging: 18 months

Age of Barrels: 100% new

**Production/Technical Data**

Alcohol: 14.5%

.60 g/100 ml titratable acidity

10-12 days fermentation at 80°F

pH: 3.61

Bottled: July 2010

Release Date: September 2011