

BLACKBART



2005 Black Bart Syrah Stagecoach Vineyard

<i>Release Date</i>	May 1, 2007
<i>Vineyards</i>	Block I-4 is a steep South facing 3-acre block on Pritchard Hill planted to Syrah clone 470. These blocks have Hambright soil, which is thin, rocky and underlain by more rock and clay. Clone 383 Syrah comes from a gently undulating block called S2B. These 2 clones are blended together to achieve a medley of fruit with a little kick of spice!
<i>Vintage 2005</i>	Bud break came early in 2005. The syrah began to open its eaves on March 15th. April and May were cool and stormy. Bloom came late in May and the Summer remained cool, leading to a long hang time. The vines were thinned during Summer, which allowed a uniform ripening during September and October. A long, warm Fall contributed to perfect ripening weather.
<i>Varietal Composition</i>	Syrah with a small amount of Viognier
<i>Harvest Dates</i>	October 23, 2005
<i>Bottled</i>	February 28, 2007 Unfined & Unfiltered
<i>pH/Brix</i>	3.79/27.4
<i>Alcohol</i>	15.2%
<i>Cooperage</i>	Matured for 16 months in 85% new French barriques - Francois Freres, Damy, Cadus & Taransaud
<i>Production</i>	1220 cases



WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS

A rich reddish black hue gives way to aromas of violets, boysenberries, vanilla and cinnamon. The palate transitions to currants, dark cherries, ripe plums and black pepper. Well structured with polished, supple, soft tannins and a long, silky finish. Great with Pepper seasoned Porterhouse steak, Peking duck, rack of lamb, or flourless chocolate cake with fresh blueberries and cream. Enjoy now through 2016.

KRUPP BROTHERS ESTATES

Owned by Dr. Jan Krupp and his brother Bart. The Estates are comprised of three different vineyards: Stagecoach, Krupp, and Krupp Brothers. These vineyards are the sources for their three brands: Veraison, Black Bart and the Krupp Brothers Estates Gold Series.