

KRUPP BROTHERS



Reviews from the Press

2009 Krupp Brothers Chardonnay, Napa Valley

Wine Spectator: 92 Points

"A rich, creamy, seductive and structured style, with vanilla-scented orange and citrus, ripe pear and apple blossom flavors, gaining depth and ending with a long, detailed finish. Drink now through 2018."

Source: *Wine Spectator Insider Vol. 7, No. 51*

Wine Advocate: 90 Points

"The 2009 Chardonnay is an intense, bold wine loaded with fruit. This is a quintessential Californian Chardonnay, but it also shows exceptional balance. Anticipated maturity: 2011-2014." Source: *Wine Advocate #198, December 2011*

2007 Krupp Brothers Cabernet Sauvignon, Stagecoach Vineyard

Wine Spectator: 92 Points

"Dense and chewy, a powerful expression of Cabernet that's rich with blackberry, currant, cedar, tobacco and graphite flavors and wall-to-wall tannins. Best from 2013 through 2025." Source: *Wine Spectator Insider Vol. 7, No. 51*

Wine Advocate: 90+ Points

"The outstanding, deep ruby/purple-tinged 2007 Cabernet Sauvignon Stagecoach Vineyard exhibits a classic bouquet of underbrush, forest floor, black currants, cedar and spice. Fresh, medium to full-bodied and deep, it requires 2-3 years of bottle age and should keep for 10-15 years." Source: *Wine Advocate #192, December 2010*

2007 Krupp Brothers Synchrony, Stagecoach Vineyard

Wine Enthusiast: 93 Points

"The wine tastes and feels important. It has great weight and depth. The tannins are extraordinarily thick, but ripe and smoothly sweet. And then there's the fruit, a detonation of blackberries, cherries, blueberries and cassis, not to mention the oak, which seems as fine as oak gets. This superb wine seems like an obvious cellar candidate. It should ride out the decade effortlessly. Cellar Selection." Source: *Wine Enthusiast, May 1, 2011*

Wine Advocate: 89 Points

"An interesting effort, the 2007 Synchrony (a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc) comes from red aiken soils. It offers up notes of menthol, earth, sweet blueberries and red currants in its elegant, restrained, attractive personality. Slightly understated but graceful, it is best consumed over the next 7-8 years." Source: *Wine Advocate #192, December 2010*

2007 Krupp Brothers Merlot, Stagecoach Vineyard

Wine Spectator: 91 Points

"Dense and a bit racy, showing polished black cherry and spicy oak aromas, with layered currant, espresso and dusty cedar flavors that finish with firm tannins. Best from 2013 through 2017. 525 cases made." Source: *Wine Spectator, November 15, 2011*

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2009 Krupp Brothers "The Doctor," Napa Valley

Wine Advocate: 93 Points

"The 2009 The Doctor Stagecoach & Krupp Brothers is an unusual blend of 40% Tempranillo, 30% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Cabernet Franc and 5% Malbec. It is a big, smoky wine bursting with dark fruit, black cherries, licorice and grilled herbs. This is a decidedly succulent wine. It shows remarkable intensity and power. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2020." *Source: Wine Advocate #198, December 2011*

2007 Krupp Brothers "The Doctor," Napa Valley

Wine Enthusiast: 92 Points

"An ambitious blend of Merlot, Tempranillo, Malbec and Cabernet Sauvignon, grown mainly on Atlas Peak. It's bone dry and locked down in tannins and acidity, offering little relief, but there's a potent core of blackberries and black currants that yearns to bust through. Clearly well grown, it could be an ager, but predictions are risky." *Source: Wine Enthusiast, May 1, 2011*

2008 Krupp Brothers Veraison Red Wine, Napa Valley

International Wine Cellar: 89+ Points

"Full medium ruby. Aromas of blackberry, licorice, mint and crushed rock. Juicy but youthfully imploded, showing less early sweetness than the Synchrony Proprietary Red. The dark berry and licorice flavors display a menthol quality and a slight tartness on the back end that currently clashes with the wine's tannins. Today the 2007 version is more pliant and harmonious." *Source: Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar, May/June 2011*

2007 Krupp Brothers Veraison Cabernet Sauvignon, Stagecoach Vineyard

Wine Spectator: 91 Points

"Reaching a nice drinking stage, with the currant, blueberry and wild berry flavors turning fleshy, offering hints of cedar, anise, tobacco, dried herb and loamy earth. Very complex and supple. Drink now through 2020." *Source: Wine Spectator, November 15, 2011*

Wine Enthusiast: 91 Points

"An enormous Cabernet. Explodes with flavors of blackberries, cassis and chocolate, as well as the sweet vanilla and toast from oak barrels. It's gentle enough to drink now, but isn't showing much nuance. Give it five or six years in the cellar." *Source: Wine Enthusiast, August 1, 2011.*

2007 Krupp Brothers Black Bart's Bounty Syrah, Napa Valley

Connoisseurs' Guide to California Wines: 93 Points

"If very much in the camp of those Syrahs showing the gamy, spiced-meat traits of the grape, this brash and broadshouldered wine is equally keyed on unabashed ripeness. It is laced with dark chocolate and fights with a bit of finishing heat, but it is so rich and well-stuffed that it succeeds all the same. It may not find more refinement with age, but, with a few years, it should serve as a fine foil to flavorful braised meats and well-seasoned roasts." *Source: Connoisseurs' Guide to California Wines, July 1, 2010*

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2007 Krupp Brothers Black Bart Marsanne, Stagecoach Vineyard

Connoisseurs' Guide to California Wine: 91 Points

"Focusing on Marsanne, the Krupp Brothers have here created a solid partner to the (Black Bart's Bride). It is not exactly a "masculine" wine by any stretch of the imagination or traditional use of the term given its floral aromas and deeply fruity, blossomy pieces, and its alcohol and weight on the palate are eclipsed by the Bride, but since both are deep and dramatic, the differences are less of gender than of perception."

Source: Connoisseurs' Guide to California Wines, July 1, 2010

2007 Krupp Brothers Black Bart Syrah, Stagecoach Vineyard

Connoisseurs' Guide to California Wines: 95 Points

"Born of grapes grown in the renowned Stagecoach Vineyard, this well-muscled wine is bigger and bolder yet than its companion bottling below. It more than makes up in richness and stunning fruit depth for what it so clearly lacks in manners, and, while tough and tannic, it ends with insistent spiced-berry fruit outdistancing all else. For some it will be too much of a good thing, but given a half-dozen years in which to develop and matched up with appropriately hearty fare, it should prove to be a bonafide star." *Source: Connoisseurs' Guide to California Wines, July 1, 2010*

Wine Advocate: 90 Points

"The 2007 Syrah Stagecoach Vineyard Black Bart is a big, dense, chewy, meaty Syrah with abundant fruit as well as a boatload of tannin and earthiness. Northern Rhone-like in its structural profile, it should drink well for 7-10 years." *Source: Wine Advocate # 192, December 2010*

Wine Enthusiast: 90 Points

"As delicious as a pastry dessert, although it's fully dry, showing chocolate-infused blackberries, raspberries and beef jerky, sprinkled with white pepper and anise. The tannic structure is beautiful on this elegant Syrah." *Source: Wine Enthusiast, February 1, 2011.*

2007 Krupp Brothers Black Bart's Bride, Napa Valley

Connoisseurs' Guide to California Wines: 91 Points

"43% Marsanne; 37% Viognier; 20% Chardonnay. Full marks to this innovative blending of Rhone and Burgundian whites. It has great depth and enormous richness to its floral, slightly tropical yet deep and round aromas, and that simply adds up to the fine and fun experience of smelling the wine and knowing that it has delivered brilliance. It is full and fleshy on the palate, has enough acidity to stay in balance and makes us want to grill up a side of line-caught salmon that has been briefly cured with salt and sugar before seeing the flames." *Source: Connoisseurs' Guide to California Wines, July 1, 2010*

Wine Spectator: 89 Points

"Distinctive for its toasty spice notes, with a fragrant honeysuckle detail. Full-bodied pear, citrus, apple and almond skin accents add to the complexity, with a balanced kick of acidity on the finish. Marsanne, Viognier and Chardonnay. Drink now through 2016. Tasted twice, with consistent notes. 775 cases made." *Source: Wine Spectator, June 15, 2011*