

BLACKBART



2003 Black Bart Syrah Port Stagecoach Vineyard

<i>Release Date</i>	January 1, 2006
<i>Vineyards</i>	The Syrah for our port comes from a steep South facing Stagecoach Vineyard block on Pritchard Hill. The clone of Syrah used for this port is reputed to be the best French clone of syrah.
<i>Vintage 2003</i>	The 2003 vintage was distinguished by early bud break, followed by mellow temperatures; hence a long hang time resulting in beautiful aromatics and complex flavors. In 2003, Stagecoach Vineyard was almost always above the fog which shrouded the Napa Valley resulting in wonderful flavors.
<i>Varietal Composition</i>	100% Syrah
<i>Harvest Dates</i>	October 8th, 2003
<i>Soil Series</i>	Guenoc
<i>Brix</i>	26.4
<i>Yield</i>	2.1 tons/acre
<i>Alcohol</i>	18%
<i>Cold Soak</i>	5 days, followed by 29 days on the skins
<i>Barrel Fermentation</i>	Francois Freres for 18 months

WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS

Dark plum, mocha, boysenberry, strawberry and currants spiced by pepper. Wonderful when sipped with chocolate cake covered with strawberry or raspberry syrup. This port is also outstanding with wine poached pears. 76 cases produced. Enjoy now until 2020.

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.