

RAVENS



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SINGLE VINEYARD DESIGNATE 2007

2007 Icon Mixed Blacks

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Take yourself back before Prohibition when blending produced the best wine in any year. Zinfandel for spice and ripe fruit flavors and suppleness; Carignane for bright freshness provided by high acidity; black pepper and tannins from Petite Sirah; and notes of blueberry and color density added by the Alicante Bouschet was found mixed in many of these old vineyards. These grapes were the chosen ones of California before 1920. The 2007 Icon contains only the best wines from our cellar made from grapes planted more than 90 years ago to produce California's most interesting, unique, and classic blend. It is rich, round, full, and flavorful and will age beautifully for a very long time.

The wine is very dark and dense. It is fully aromatic with sweet fruit scents of black cherries and plums, accented by hints of toast, vanilla, black pepper, cardamom, and licorice. It is a big, mouth-filling wine, rich in the complexities of black raspberry and baking spices. It has supple, delicious intensity and weight in the long, flavorful finish. Built for the ages, this wine has classic Sonoma mixed black flavors. There is nothing else like it in the world.

— Joel Peterson

COMPOSITION	36% Carignane, 27% Petite Sirah, 25% Zinfandel, 12% Mixed Blacks
APPELLATION	Sonoma County
AGING	21 months in 100% French oak, 40%; New: 30% 1 Year
SKIN CONTACT	10-15 Days
TA	6.25g/L
pH	3.60
RS	0.7g/L
ALCOHOL	14.9%
RELEASE DATE	September 2009
PRODUCTION	1,000 cases
AGEABILITY	Drink between now and seven to ten years



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