

RAVENS



WOOD

SINGLE VINEYARD
Designate '08

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.

Very Dark, very dense. Blackberries and other black fruit aromas mingle with interesting and complicated scents of violets, forest floor and aromatic spices. The 08 ICON is big and suave on the palate. It is full of ripe dark fruit flavors, harmonious oak notes, and a long, rich finish with perfect acidity that adds lift and punch. This is a youthful muscular wine.



COMPOSITION	37% Zinfandel, 36% Petite Sirah, 24% Carignane, 3% Alicante Bouschet	pH	3.65
APPELLATION	Sonoma County	RS	0.8g/L
AGING	20 months in 100% French oak; 40% New; 30% 1 Year	ALCOHOL	14.9%
SKIN CONTACT	10-15 Days	RELEASE DATE	July 2011
TA	6.20g/L	PRODUCTION	600 cases
		AGEABILITY	Drink between now and seven to ten years