

THE BUTLER

*Butler Ranch Vineyard climbs
the foothills to 2,200 feet. Vines thrive
because of the temperate climate.*

THE BUTLER SINGLE VINEYARD CUVÉE MENDOCINO COUNTY | VINTAGE 2009

THE STEEP HISTORIC MOUNTAIN RANCH WAS ONCE A YOU-PICK CHERRY FARM. WITH ITS EXTREME ELEVATION AND RARE RED VINE SOIL THE BUTLER RANCH IS PERFECTLY SUITED FOR THE RHÔNE STYLE VARIETALS PLANTED TO IT. OUR VERY OWN VINEYARD DIRECTOR, DAVE KOBALL, LIVES ON THE RANCH AND DEVELOPED THE VINEYARDS FROM THE GROUND UP CAREFULLY CHOOSING FROM A TOTAL OF 900 ACRES TO ULTIMATELY COMPLETE THE 90 PLANTED ACRES OF VINEYARDS.

THIS BIODYNAMIC®, SINGLE VINEYARD EXPRESSION OF THE UNIQUE BUTLER RANCH IS A RHÔNE STYLE BASED BLEND. THIS WINE LEADS WITH DEEP, DARK BLACKBERRY AND MULBERRY AROMAS, A TOUCH OF LEATHER, SMOKE AND AGED CEDAR. FOLLOWED IN THE MOUTH BY RICH BLACKBERRY JAM, BRIARY FRUIT AND BLACK PEPPER THAT CONCLUDE IN A SMOOTH LINGERING FINISH.

TECHNICAL NOTES:

GRAPES WERE HARVESTED AT OPTIMAL RIPENESS OVER AN EXTENDED HARVEST PERIOD. VARIETIES AND VINEYARD BLOCKS WERE KEPT SEPARATE UNTIL THE BEST LOTS WERE BLENDED TOGETHER. THE WINE WAS AGED IN FRENCH OAK BARRELS FOR 24 MONTHS 75% NEW.

APPELLATION: MENDOCINO COUNTY

VARIETAL CONTENT: 77% SYRAH, 7% PETITE SYRAH, 7% GRENACHE, 7% MOURVEDRE, 2% MALBEC

CASES PRODUCED: 1,000

ALCOHOL: 13.90%

TA G/100 ML: 6.3

pH: 3.62

RS G/100ML: 0.01

