FLANAGAN

2007 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, Sonoma County



HARVEST DATE October 4-7 2007 PH 3.9 TA 6.4 CASES PRODUCED 544 RELEASE DATE October 2011

PRODUCTION NOTES

The 2007 vintage was an "easy" year. A warm growing season produced a large crop of ripe, healthy fruit. Large for us, by the way, means about 1.5 tons per acre on our Cabernet and Merlot. Nearly every quality producer made a good wine in 2007 and we were no exception! In a great year like 2007, the challenge is to produce a focused wine with balanced acidity and to not let the wine become a "fruit bomb". This wine delivers the warmth of the vintage and retains the minerality, balance, and pure black fruits characteristic of our site. This wine is beautifully delineated and, as always, a harmonious intersection of site driven fruit, the finest new French oak, and classic wine making.

TASTING NOTES

The 2007 Flanagan Cabernet delivers power and finesse. The nose is an unfolding story of ripe, lush, black fruit, warm crushed rock, mocha, and vanilla. The evolution as the wine warms from cellar temperature to room temperature is dramatic as the wine becomes more and more expressive. The wine is very focused on the palate with a super-pure cassis front and mid-palate that resolves into a finish that is just like the bouquet. This wine will age effortlessly for many, many years.