



GOOSECROSS®

NAPA VALLEY

Carneros, Napa Valley Syrah
Vintage 2008 – *our tenth flight*

Believe it or not, in 1992 there were only about 400 acres of Syrah planted in California! The deep, bold, spicy flavors account for the thousands of acres here, now, and it thrives all over the world.

Winemaker Notes

The cool, breezy Carneros location with a north-facing exposure guarantees that our hillside Syrah gets plenty of the all-important hang time it needs to develop full, ripe, rich flavors. Winemaker Geoff Gorsuch comments that "2008 was an extremely challenging vintage that left us with distressingly low yields, but the flavors are there in spades. This wine is bursting with cherries and spice!"

- **Flavor profile: Big, rich flavors of ripe cherry, strawberry, sweet plum and cocoa with anise and spice. Firm tannins.**
- **2008 Vintage: A roller-coaster of a growing season yielding low quantities of high quality fruit**
- **Drink now and through: 2016**

Food Suggestions

Our Syrah is the perfect partner for simple, rustic fare like wild game, slow-cook dishes and grilled sausages. With its origins in the south of France, Syrah complements the flavors of the region particularly well. Try it with Colleen's **Rabbit Cacciatore** in the recipe database at goosecross.com

Technical Notes

- Total Cases: 658
- Appellation: 100% Carneros, Napa Valley
- Component: 100% Syrah
- Alcohol: 13.6%
- French Oak: 100%
- Oak Aging: 16 months
- Bottled: April 6, 2010



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