Winegrowing Information

Our first release of Kamen Kashmir Cabernet Sauvignon comes after many years of working with the fruit from the very rocky soils of Kamen Vineyards and observing that in some years, there are certain blocks that exhibit a uniquely different character from the rest of the vineyard. In some vintages, the wines made from blends of these individual lots produce a very special wine where, the whole exceeds the quality of the individual parts. The 2005 growing season was much wetter than most years, and it also was much longer and provided a platform for slow, even ripening and ideal maturity development. These beneficial factors enabled the grapes to have extended hang time and to reach rare heights of complexity with rich, dark color and deeply, expressive fruit flavors. Since we kept each lot separate throughout the winemaking process, we were able to follow the unique characteristics of terroir found in each block. We realized we had a very special and distinctive wine that stood well on its own. We were fortunate to be able to make the 2005 Kamen Kashmir, Cabernet Sauvignon of which only 100 cases were made.

Winemaker Tasting Notes

In color, this wine is dense, dark purple, almost black. The rich , aromatic elements are enticing and powerful-primarily of ripe blackberries and violets with the secondary notes of wet rock, roughened suede, pencil lead, tea and cinnamon that leap from the glass. Extremely lush in the mouth, the palate is an explosion of freshly crushed blueberries and flowers and a mineral creaminess that are showcased by velvety, but very present tannins. With an excellent structural foundation, great purity and captivating opulence, the wine has a finish that is sweet, expanding and extremely lengthy-two minutes plus. This is a big, luscious, intense and age worthy wine that should drink effortlessly over the next two decades.

Grape Source

Sonoma Valley, Certified Organic Vineyards Selected blocks from Kamen Estate Vineyards 100% Estate Grown Cabernet Sauvignon at elevations of 1100' to 1450'

Production and Technical Data

Alcohol: 14.9% Production: 100 cases Release Date: January 22, 2009



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