

TRUCHARD VINEYARDS

1993 Syrah

- Vintage Specifics:** The 1993 Syrah vintage was an exceptional one. Only the second year off of young vines, the wine has the concentration one would expect from a 75 year old vineyard. The warmth September temperatures provided for the development of the intense flavors and inky color
- Vineyard:** The vineyard is on the Truchard Estate located in Napa Valley - Carneros. The Syrah is located in the "Highlands" of the Truchard vineyard in rocky, volcanic soil. The unique combination of steep hillside, southwest exposure, and the marine influences predominant in Carneros, combine to produce Syrah comparable to those of the northern Rhone.
- Harvest:** September 25
24.6 °Brix
7.1g/l average TA
3.41 average pH
All gently destemmed and crushed to open top fermenters with 20% whole berries.
- Fermentation:** Two lots were inoculated with Pasteur Red yeast. Punch downs 2X per day, temperature peak to 88°F. 12 day maceration, pressed to tank for settling and then to barrel for completion of malolactic fermentation.
- Aging:** The wine was aged in predominately French oak (20% new). American oak was also used constituting 10% of the barrels. The wine was racked approximately every 4 months until bottling in August of 1994. The wine is drinkable at release and will continue to develop complexity with additional time in the bottle.
- Finished Wine Analysis:** 13.2 % alcohol
3.78 pH
6.1 g/l titrateable acidity

Release date: February 1, 1995

Cases Produced: 640

Bottle Price: \$18

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