Domaine de la Terre Rouge

TERRE ROUGE ® AND EASTON WINES





SYRAH

SENTINEL OAK VINEYARD PYRAMID BLOCK

PRODUCED & BOTTLED BY DOMAINE DE LA TERRE ROUGE PLYMOUTH, CALIFORNIA. ALC. 14.5% BY VOL.

2005 Terre Rouge Syrah, Sentinel Oak Vineyard/Pyramid Block

Our single vineyard Syrah is from the oldest Syrah vineyard in the Sierra Nevada (est. 1984) and one of the most famous Syrah sites in California. Each year it provides us with intense luscious fruit. The vineyard is at 1400 feet on a South-facing slope in the heart of the Shenandoah Valley, right near our winery. We think you will like the aromas and structure of this 2005. It was picked quite late in 2005, on October 17th at 25° brix, 3.45 pH, and .70 TA . This was a remarkable, cool year, and the wines show a lot of finesse. Dark in color with dense, deep-concentrated layered fruit aromas that are incredibly spicy. In the mouth you'll find incredibly concentrated framboise flavors, smoky wood tones, and fine tannins. Meaty. Great structure and age ability. It macerated for two weeks in an open-top fermenter with punch-downs two to three times a day. Aged for 23 months in 100% French oak (33% new François Frères) and lightly egg-white fined prior to being bottled unfiltered.

14.5 % alcohol by vol.; 3.48 pH; 6.6 gm./liter total acidity