Domaine de la Terre Rouge

TERRE ROUGE® AND EASTON WINES





ROUSSANNE

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

2008 TERRE ROUGE Roussanne - Sierra Foothills

We began bottling Roussanne on an annual basis in 2001. This bottling originates from a newly established vineyard site between Auburn and Foresthill called the Monarch Mine Vineyard. It is planted with a clone of the Roussanne grape that originates from a Chave family parcel on the hill at Hermitage. This is a difficult variety to grow. It ripens unevenly, so it must be harvested selectively and not all at the same time. It is also susceptible to powdery mildew. The fruit in 2008 was fully ripe at harvest in mid-September, as usual here and the crop size was smaller; diminished by a late frost. The resulting wine has classic Roussanne characteristics: Straw golden color; with exquisite quince, honey-nut, and beeswax aromas. It has a very rich and silky mouth feel. Bottle aged two years prior to release. A rare treat.

14.5 % alcohol by vol.; 3.67 pH; 6.2 gm./liter total acidity Release Date: April 2011 Suggested Retail: \$25 a bottle

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