



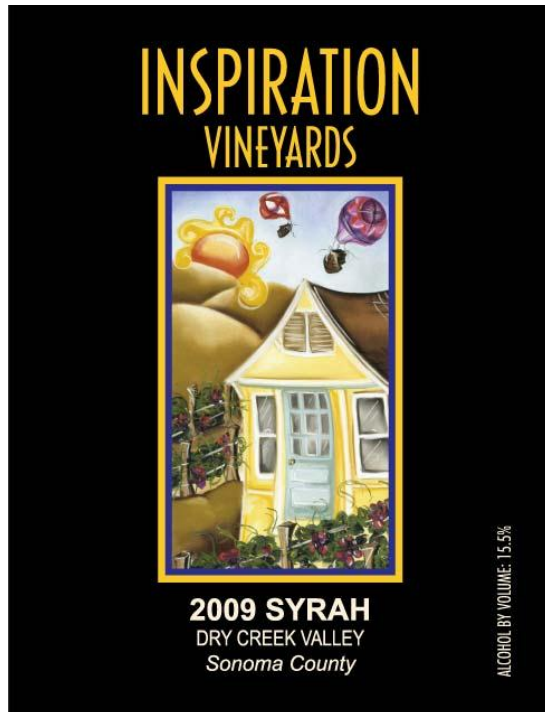
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2009 Syrah ~ Dry Creek Valley Technical Information



Vineyard: Palindrome Vineyards

Appellation: Dry Creek Valley

Varietal Blend: 93% Syrah
7% Viognier

Harvest Date: September 12th 2009

Brix at Harvest: 24.9°

Total Acid: .68 g/L

pH: 3.75

Alcohol: 15.2%

Fermentation / Cellaring: Open-top fermented – addition of Viognier at time of fermentation. Aged for 23 months in American oak, 1/3rd new.

Bottled Date: August 23rd 2011

Release Date: November 1st 2011

Cases Produced: 140

Syrah is a special wine for us. It represents a place in France that we are very fond of, the Rhone Valley. Made in the tradition of a Côte Rôte, the addition of Viognier brings out wonderful color and aromas in this wine. We started making this Syrah during our R&D years and haven't stopped since. It definitely is one of our favorite wines to make and drink with food, especially lamb and beef.

Tasting Notes: This is perhaps our deepest vintage to date with full bodied tannins, providing great aging potential for the next 8 to 10 years. We recommend decanting if you plan to serve this wine during the first year after release. The nose is tight with notes of blackberry and chocolate. On the palate you'll find rich blackberries, cedar, mocha and coffee.

