

2009 PASSING BY

92% Cabernet Sauvignon / 8% Petit Verdot
Jada Vineyard, Paso Robles



Tasting Notes

As with all our wines, the 2009 Passing By began with the search for the perfect berry. The fruit was sorted three separate times - once in the field before harvest, again on our cluster sorting table, and finally at our berry sorting table. Using early fermentation delestage and punchdowns by hand, we were then able to extract intense color, delicate aromatics, and rich flavors. The nose is outstanding with milk chocolate, cherry liqueur, rosemary, cocoa, and orange peel making up its profile. Flavors of pumpkin pie, dark chocolate-covered raisins, brown sugar, and roasted chestnuts lift the palate, while gentle, dusty tannins provide support, texture, structure, and grip. The finish is balanced with a lingering, bright acidity as memorable as its namesake. Barrel-aged for 18 months.



VINEYARD

Vineyard: Jada Estate Vineyard

Vineyard Locations: Westside Paso Robles (Templeton Gap)

Geology: Shallow topsoil of clay loam over calcareous shale.

Average Elevation: 1,100 ft. to 1,200 ft.

Slope Exposure: South, Southwest, West

Year Planted: 1999

Clone / Rootstock:

Cab Sauvignon: 15/1103P & 337/5C
Petit Verdot: Abreau/5C

WINEMAKING

Harvest Date: 10/2009

Oak: 100% French,; 60 % new / 40% once-used.

Barrel Aging: 17 months

Coopers: Taransaud, Ermitage, St. Martin, & De Jarnac

Fining/Filtration: None

FINISHED WINE

pH: 3.71

TA: 0.58 g/100 mL

Alcohol: 14.8%

Bottling Date: 4/2011

Cases Bottled: 461

Release Date: Oct 2011

Winemaker: Scott Hawley / David Galzignato

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