



2008 THE SIREN “Kick Ranch” Sonoma County

Carica’s 2008 Rhone-style blend, “The Siren,” follows in the tradition of Carica’s 2007 “Temptation” proprietary red wine blend. The Siren blends the Rhone varietals Syrah, Grenache and Mourvèdre.

This wine, with its boldness and clean finish, suggests a pairing with steak or grilled lamb with rosemary.

Aromas

red fruit, herbs de Provence

Flavors

blackberry, chocolate, white pepper

Winemaking Notes: Syrah clusters were destemmed, then 75% whole berry fermented. We combined three syrah clones -- Hermitage, 470, and 877. The Syrah was aged 18 months with minimal intervention in a combination of both new and used French and American oak barrels. Grenache grapes were separately fermented and barreled. A quest for the right Mourvedre led us to Lake County-sourced fruit, and tastings proved that this wine would blend perfectly. Bottled unfiltered and unfinned on August 3, 2010

The Vineyards: Our goal was to produce a delicious Rhone blend, starting with Carica Wines Kick Ranch Syrah. Sited on the west flank of Spring Mountain, in Sonoma County, California, Kick Ranch uses sustainable viticulture practices to produce highly sought-after Rhone varietals. The Grenache also came from Kick Ranch, and we selected the Mourvèdre from vineyards in Lake County, CA.

Winemaker, Charlie Dollbaum
175 cases produced
\$32 per bottle

