

Krutz family cellars



Krutz 2009 “Krupp Vineyard” Malbec, Napa Valley

Winemaker's Tasting Notes

A very floral expression of our Malbec. Notes of violets, mountain sage, and mint fill the nose. On the palate, rich notes of blueberry jam, boysenberry, and lavender are all framed with a sweet cedar spice impression. The tannins are long, refined, and somewhat dusty, accentuating the flavors in the finish.

VINEYARD & HARVEST INFORMATION

<i>Vineyard</i>	The hunt to find an unrivaled vineyard source for our Malbec led us high into Napa Valley's eastern hills to a harsh mountain site, strewn with rocks and choked with chaparral, which straddles Atlas Peak and Pritchard Hill. The coolest of the three vineyards Jan Krupp farms, Krupp Vineyard's hilly terrain, cool nights, and well-drained soils provide a longer, fuller growing season for early-ripening Malbec.
<i>Vineyard Elevation</i>	1,600 feet above sea level
<i>Exposure</i>	West-Northwest
<i>Soil</i>	Mountain rock with Aikens soils
<i>Block/Clone</i>	MA2 block
<i>Harvested</i>	October 6, 2009

WINEMAKING INFORMATION

<i>Blend</i>	100% Malbec
<i>Fermentation</i>	Macro 48 bins with 21 days on skins
<i>Alcohol by Volume</i>	14.7%
<i>pH</i>	3.74
<i>Cooperage</i>	50% new French oak: Seguin-Moreau “Cabernet Selection” & “Special Rouge”
<i>Barrel Aging</i>	20 months
<i>Release Date:</i>	October, 2012
<i>Production</i>	44½ cases



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