

**VINTAGE**  
2006

**APPELLATION**  
Alexander Valley

**BLEND**  
100% Syrah

**COOPERAGE**  
60% older French oak,  
40% new French and Hungarian



#### **TASTING NOTES**

The grapes for our 2006 Syrah come from vineyards that scale Ferrari-Carano's Look Out Mountain in Alexander Valley. This wine delights with aromas of crushed, fresh-picked blackberry, anise, espresso, white peppercorn and vanilla bean complemented by juicy, super-ripe boysenberry, cinnamon, clove, black tea, and dark chocolate flavors. Lush, graceful and perfectly balanced, our Syrah has a vibrant, round and deeply textured mid palate, supple tannins, and rich, harmonious length.

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The vines for our Syrah are dry farmed in shallow, rocky, low-vigor soil on Ferrari-Carano's Look Out Mountain. A late start to harvest due to a wet winter coupled with mild summer temperatures ripened the Syrah a few weeks later than usual. Our Syrah survived July's heat spikes because of its thick skin and healthy canopy, which provided much needed shade and slowed the maturation of the vine. The resulting hang time allowed us to craft incredible lots for this special bottling of Ferrari-Carano Syrah.

#### **WINEMAKER NOTES**

This wine is composed of 100% Syrah. Upon entering our gravity-flow mountain winery, the hand-harvested and hand-sorted grapes underwent four days of cold soaking and were fermented in tank before pressing. Kept separate by lot, the wine was moved to barrels and cave-aged for 21 months prior to bottling, then aged in bottle an additional 4 months until release.

#### **FOOD PAIRINGS**

Syrah pairs well with more flavorful foods such as game, lamb and barbecued food. Low tannin, fruity wines with little oak such as Syrah go well with Indian foods or foods with coconut, cumin, cream or milk-based sauces. Try this wine with chocolate for a delicious treat.

#### **WINE INFORMATION**

Bottled:	February 2007
Released:	February 2009
Alcohol:	14.8%
pH:	4.03
TA:	0.51

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