



## 2002 Williamson Doré Syrah Santa Ynez Valley

Planted in 1999 by Dick and Jenny, the Williamson Doré Vineyard is a family affair. This seven-acre vineyard is located in the eastern portion of the Santa Ynez Valley, near Happy Canyon, where they make their home. The vineyard consists of four acres of Syrah (Kaitlin's Block, Clone 174 and Drew's Block, Clone 877).

This bottling consists of 35% of Clone 877 (harvested September 30) and 65% of Clone 174 (harvested October 1). The grapes were 100% destemmed. Primary fermentation lasted for ten days in, small, open top fermenters. We manually punched down 2-3 times per day. The wine was then gravity racked to François Frères barrels (20% new). It was bottled, unfinned and unfiltered, in the spring of 2004.

Production: 430 cases

### **93 Points**

A wow! wine. Starts with a stupendous aroma that perfectly integrates toasty, caramelly oak with rich Indian pudding, gingerbread, sweet plum, cherry and spicy clove. The tannins are rich and ripe.

*Steve Heimoff, Wine Enthusiast*

### **89 Points**

"reveals more oak than its siblings along with a complex, creamy black fruit nose with herbs; vanilla, chocolate and pepper in the background. Medium to full-bodied, nicely textured, and rich, it is an impressively made Syrah to consume over the next 5-7 years."

*Robert Parker Jr., The Wine Advocate*