



2008

The Brat



APPELLATIONS: 100% Sierra Foothills AVA, Calaveras County

HARVEST DATE: October 7, 2008

VINEYARD COMPOSITION: 100% Appaloosa Estate Vineyard
60% Grenache – 40% Syrah

ALC: 14.8%

PH: 3.39

TA: .64 g/100ml

CASES PRODUCED: 112

CELLAR PRACTICES: All fruit is hand picked, hand sorted, destemmed and crushed with 15% whole cluster into small open top fermentors. Cold soaked for 4 days, inoculated with specially selected yeast isolated from the Rhone Valley and fermented dry. Pressed into 100% French Oak barrels and aged for 19 months.

TASTING NOTES: The dark ruby/garnet hued Brat exhibits the aromas of cherries and cranberries intermixed with orange blossom and exotic spice. The flavors follow with sweet cherry cider; candied chocolate dipped orange rinds and crisp structure, which makes this wine particularly appealing to pair with a meal.

RETAIL PRICE: \$36

92 points – Wine Enthusiast