



HALTER RANCH VINEYARD

2006 ANCESTOR ESTATE RESERVE

Blend: 48% Cabernet Sauvignon

28% Cabernet Franc

24% Malbec

Harvest Dates: Cabernet Sauvignon -

Block 27 10/26/07 Block 41B 10/25/07

Cabernet Franc – Block 24 10/11/07

Malbec – Block 42 9/25/07

Fermentation: Destemmed and fermented in

closed-top fermenters with a combination of punch-down and pump-over 2-3 times daily for 21 days on skins. Aged 18 months in French oak barrels, 45% new. Blend made from barrel selections. Bottle aged two years

prior to release.

Alcohol: 15.0%

pH: 3.36

TA: 0.70 g/100ml Bottled: July 8, 2008 Production: 500 cases (50ml)

TASTING NOTES

Ancestor Estate Reserve is the best wine our estate offers each year, without regard to varietal or blending parameters. Typically a Bordeaux-style red, the Ancestor in 2006 is a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc and Malbec. It offers a seductive, marvelously complex aroma of ripe black fruits, cedar, green olive, mint and sweet vanilla with opulent, dramatically concentrated black fruit flavors that are nonetheless soft and elegant despite the wine's power, depth and concentration. Delicious now with a wide range of beef, lamb and rich pork dishes, it will develop beautifully in bottle for another 10-12 years.

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