



KRUPP BROTHERS

2006

**The Doctor
Napa Valley**

<i>Release Date</i>	February 1, 2009
<i>Vineyard</i>	<i>Krupp Vineyard & Stagecoach Vineyard</i> The Tempranillo clone is from Ribera del Duero in Spain. Root growth is restricted and low vigor results. The Merlot was planted in 1992 to the rare Clone 6. Cabernet Sauvignon is planted to Clone 8, a well known California clone. Malbec is sourced from the rockiest site at Stagecoach Vineyard.
<i>Vintage 2006</i>	Bud break was delayed by a few weeks but by June the weather had turned and vines began to flower and set fruit. In mid-July a record-setting heat wave lasted about ten days, but with the crop a few weeks behind the historically normal cycle, the heat had little impact on the grapes. Seasonal and somewhat cooler weather returned in August and harvest began in early September.
<i>Fermentation</i>	Both closed and open top fermenters were utilized and length of time on skins varied from 16 to 28 days depending on the lot. Individual parcels were blended after six months of barrel aging and spent a further 12 months maturing as a single entity.
<i>Varietal Composition</i>	37% Tempranillo, 28% Merlot, 21% Malbec, 14% Cabernet Sauvignon
<i>Harvest Dates</i>	October 2 – November 1, 2006
<i>Bottled</i>	April 14, 2008; Unfined
<i>pH/Brix</i>	3.92/27.2
<i>Alcohol</i>	14.8%
<i>Cooperage</i>	Matured for 18 months in 75% new Taransaud and Bossuet French oak barriques.
<i>Production</i>	468 cases

Suggested Retail Price: \$75



WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS

Deep garnet with black rim. A wonderfully complex and intriguing nose with aromas of exotic flowers, sweet & sour cherries, blood orange, dark plums, and spice which play beautifully with the ensuing flavors. The palate is plush and seamless with dense flavors of plum, rhubarb, blackberry, blueberry, and cinnamon. The flavors are persistent and balanced by soft, supportive tannins – a textural and balanced wine. Best paired with ox tail stew or prime wagyu ribeye served with wild mushrooms, fingerling potatoes and Swiss chard. Drink now through 2019.

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Owned by Dr. Jan Krupp and his brother Bart. The estates are comprised of three mountain vineyards: Stagecoach, Krupp, and Krupp Brothers. These vineyards are the sources for their three brands: Veraison, Black Bart and the Krupp Brothers Gold Series.

