

BLACKBART

2006
Black Bart's Bounty
Syrah
Napa Valley



<i>Release Date</i>	February 1, 2009
<i>Vineyard</i>	Krupp Brothers Vineyard – KB5B Grapes were sourced from Krupp Brothers Vineyard, which is adjacent to Stagecoach Vineyard. KB-5B is planted to Clone 7, a highly respected Australian Syrah clone.
<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>	After a 5-day cold soak, fermentation commenced with indigenous yeast strains. Open top fermenters were utilized for fermentation and punch downs were used for cap management. The wine spent a total of 19 days on skins. Post-maceration the wine was drained directly to barrel where it underwent spontaneous malolactic fermentation.
<i>Varietal Composition</i>	98% Syrah, 2% Viognier
<i>Harvest Dates</i>	October 12, 2006
<i>Bottled</i>	Feb 19, 2008; Unfined
<i>pH/Brix</i>	3.95/25.2
<i>Alcohol</i>	15.2%
<i>Cooperage</i>	Matured for 15 months in 65% new Damy, Cadus and Francois Freres French oak barriques.
<i>Production</i>	1,125 cases



WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS

Vibrant ruby in color with black tints. Pure aromas of blackberry, blueberry, licorice, and white pepper. Concentrated and intense smoked bacon and graphite nuances add complexity to the wild dark berry and violet flavors. Great served with roasted pepper-crusted eye fillet with herb hollandaise and shoe string fries. Enjoy now through 2014.

KRUPP BROTHERS

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.

