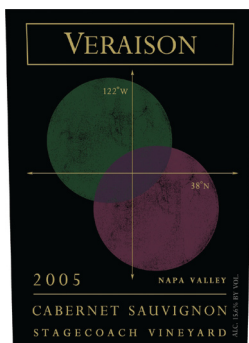


VERAISON

2005 Cabernet Sauvignon Stagecoach Vineyard Napa Valley

<i>Release Date</i>	November 1, 2008
<i>Vineyard</i>	Sourced from Stagecoach Vineyard's south and southwest facing vineyard blocks on the south side of Pritchard Hill, 1,550 feet above sea level. The soils in the three main blocks of L1, L3 and T4 are shallow, red, and rocky, forcing the vines to struggle which results in intensely flavored wine.
<i>Vintage 2005</i>	Bud break arrived early in 2005. Bloom came late in May and the summer remained cool, leading to a long hang time. The vines were thinned during summer, which allowed a uniform ripening during September and October. A long, warm fall contributed to perfect ripening weather.
<i>Fermentation</i>	A four-day cold soak was attained before fermentation with indigenous yeast. Moderate fermentation temperatures and regular pump-overs allowed for a total of 28 days on skins.
<i>Varietal Composition</i>	97% Cabernet Sauvignon, 1% Petit Verdot, 1% Merlot, 1% Cabernet Franc
<i>Harvest Dates</i>	October 5 - 27, 2005
<i>Bottled</i>	February 26, 2007; Unfined
<i>pH/Brix</i>	3.90/26.0
<i>Alcohol</i>	15.6%
<i>Cooperage</i>	Matured for 16 months in 85% new French barriques – Taransaud and Bossuet
<i>Production</i>	1232 cases



WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS

A multi layered nose showing pristine ripe Cabernet Sauvignon aromas of blackcurrants and blackberries, as well as cedar, raspberry jam, and vanilla. The palate is full and rich, primary fruit flavors of dark black fruits, violets, and cassis coupled with wild sage, licorice, and earthiness. The wine has great density with firm supportive tannins that match perfectly with the long finish. Enjoy now through 2017.

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.

