

2009 Durif Horse Heaven Hills



CASES PRODUCED: 78

WINEMAKER NOTES

Durif is one of my favorite varieties at Daven Lore winery. This is no subtle wine with bold, up front jammy dark fruit and blueberry flavors. This wine was aged in a combination of new Hungarian and tight grain northern Minnesota oak. This year a significant amount of toffee, butterscotch and cedar aromas are shown from these barrels. I chose to blend in 15% Yakima Valley Mourvèdre which adds a white pepper spice and a hint of anise. There is a long lingering finish with a hint of milk chocolate backed with roasted pecans. Yahoo!

Gord Taylor, Winemaker

VINEYARDS

Location: ZEPHYR RIDGE VINEYARD, HORSE HEAVEN HILLS

Aspect: South Date Planted: 1997

Soil: Quincy sand. This soil is very deep and excessively

drained formed on sand dunes.

Location: FAR AWAY VINEYARD BLOCK 15, YAKIMA VALLEY

Date Planted: 2003 Aspect: East

Soil: Scoon Series. The Scoon series consists of shallow to a duripan, well drained soils formed in loess and silty alluvium over a duripan. Scoon soils are on terraces and

alluvial fans.

WINEMAKING

DURIF ZEPHYR RIDGE VINEYARD

Harvested by Hand: October 6 2009

Brix: 26.5 **pH:** 3.5

Yeast: ICV D21

Fermentation: 10 days Maximum temperature: 82°F

MOURVEDRE FAR AWAY VINEYARD

Harvested by Hand: October 10 2009

Brix: 22.0 **pH:** 3.2

Yeast: EC 1118

Fermentation: 9 days Maximum temperature: 84°F



HORSE HEAVEN HILLS

Wine Lore: We have a few words to say about this wine

Big.

Bold.

Dark.

Chewy.

Hearty.

Inky.

Complex.

Conspicuous.

We leave it up to you to complete the list.



TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol: 13.8% **Final pH: 3.54** Blend: 85% Durif

15% Mourvèdre

Potential Aging: 5-8 years

FOOD PAIRINGS

Blackened Steak

Grilled Short Ribs

Roast Beef

Roasted or Grilled Red Game Meat

