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2007 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

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| Varietal Content: | 90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Syrah, 3% Merlot |
| Barrel Regime: | 21 months in French oak |
| Alcohol: | 14.7% alcohol/volume |
| Cloudy's Tasting Notes: | With the goal of maintaining a Cabernet character that is consistent from year to year, we blended our best barrels from 9 various vineyards. This highly acclaimed vintage is deep in crimson color, opulent in aroma, balanced between gentle tannins and appropriate acidity on the palate, and generously rewarding in the finish. This vintage exhibits a character of cassis, fruitcake, cedar, herbs, coffee, and black fruits intermixed with smoke. This Cabernet is well extracted, has a full body, and marvelously pure fruit. |
| Vineyard Sources: | For structure and classic Bench character we blended Cabernet from the famed Vineyard Georges III in Rutherford, with Beckstoffer To Kalon fruit heralded for its finesse and depth. We added a sizeable measure of Cabernet from our estate vineyards in the eastern hills of the Valley to contribute higher tones and a more masterful character. |
| Total Production: | 1450 cases |
| Proprietor: | Claus and Diane Janzen |
| Consulting Winemaker and Viticulturalist: | Kirk Venge |

Connoisseurs' Guide To California Wine, March 2010:

“So rich and luscious in its aromas as to suggest far more Merlot in its cepage than actually exists, this outgoing, full-bodied effort comes with an invitingly supple texture at entry and flavors that do not stop. Late-arriving tannins provide a fair bit of grip and also insure that this likeable bottling will have plenty of growth ahead of it with four to five years of quiet cellaring. Two Puffs — 91 (A highly distinctive wine. Likely to be memorable.)”

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