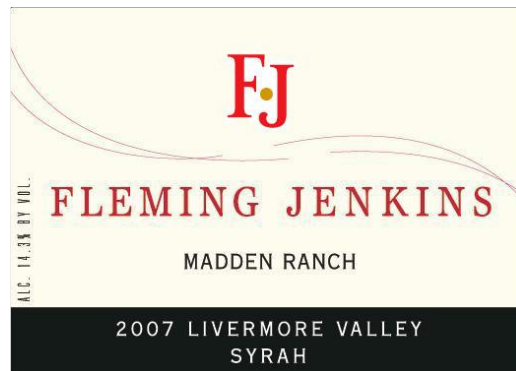




2007 MADDEN RANCH SYRAH, LIVERMORE VALLEY



We are very excited about the Syrah grapes from John Madden's Livermore Valley vineyard. Madden Ranch has 20 acres of Concannon clone Syrah—one of the oldest Syrah clones in California—all on 5BB rootstock. Located on the warmer eastern edge of the Livermore Valley, there are three different vineyard blocks on the ranch, each with a different slope and aspect.

Grapes were harvested on September 21, 2007 and October 4, 2007 and each lot was taken to our winery where a 3 day cold soak was followed by yeast inoculation. The wine was aged in French oak for 15 months before bottling.

“From the deeply purple 2007 Madden Ranch Syrah aromas of blackberries and freshly roasted coffee arise, with tempting hints of caramel and molasses. Once tasted, the wine releases its flavors of ripe black fruit, dark chocolate and roasted meats with cracked black pepper, and a bit of clove and toasty oak. The Madden Ranch Syrah is a rich, mouth-coating wine with an abundance of palate pleasing tannins followed by the balanced acidity in the fruit laden finish.”
– Greg Jenkins, Winemaker

Four Hundred & Fifty-Six Cases Produced

Bottling Date: February 5th, 2009

100% Syrah; 100% 2007 Vintage; 100% Livermore Valley

Barrel Regime: 100% French Oak (53% new Oak)

pH: 3.90

TA: 5.8 g/L

Alc. 14.3 % By Vol.

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