

# Special wines are born in special places.

## *Cinnabar's single-vineyard program*

Our vineyard-designated wines start with grapes from a handful of California's most sought after vineyards. Like our estate vineyards in the Santa Cruz Mountains, they enjoy warm days and cool nights, have great soils, and are farmed by growers who are committed to producing the finest grapes in the land. Following harvest, fruit is rushed to the winery where it receives gentle handling by state-of-the-art equipment. Wines are carefully fermented, moved to our caves, and aged in choice French and American oak barrels. Each wine is characterized by the fresh off-the-vine qualities offered by the grapes on the day they were picked.



Located near the San Joaquin River Delta, Lodi has been a major winegrowing region since the 1850s. Grapevines on the Watts-Borden Ranch benefit from warm, dry days,

cool nights and occasional morning fog. The well-drained sandy clay-loam was deposited by the Mokelumne and Cosumnes Rivers thousands of years ago. It is ideal for growing medium-to-full bodied reds like syrah and zinfandel.

Quite complex, our Syrah opens with aromas of cassis, brown sugar, baking spices and toasted oak. It tastes of blueberry, black cherry, mocha, black pepper and spice. Enjoyment is boosted by soft tannins, a big mouth feel and a long smooth finish.

### **Technical Data**

<b>APPELLATION:</b> Lodi	<b>FINISHED ALCOHOL:</b> 14.3%
<b>HARVEST DATES:</b> September 28, 1999	<b>TOTAL PRODUCTION:</b> 190 cases
<b>FERMENTATION:</b> hand-sorted, whole berries, 6-ton open-top SS tanks	<b>RELEASE DATE:</b> September 1, 2001
<b>AGING:</b> 18 months in BBL (30% new Fr. & Amer. oak)	



Garys' Vineyard, a joint venture of growers Gary Pisoni and Gary Francioni, is situated at 1,200 above sea level in the Santa Lucia Highlands of Monterey County. The

benchland soils are mostly a combination of decomposed granite and gravelly sandy-loam. Planted with France's celebrated La Tâche clone, this east-facing vineyard benefits from extended sunlight and a cool, long growing season.

This wine boasts classic pinot noir aromas of ripe cherry, earth, spice and oak. Smooth, silky and elegant, its modest tannins support round flavors of plum, cherry and sweet subtle oak. It has a lovely lingering finish of fruit, spice and oak.

### **Technical Data**

<b>APPELLATION:</b> Santa Lucia Highlands	<b>FINISHED ALCOHOL:</b> 13.5%
<b>HARVEST DATES:</b> September 20, 1999	<b>TOTAL PRODUCTION:</b> 300 cases
<b>FERMENTATION:</b> hand-sorted, whole berries, 6-ton open-top SS tanks	<b>RELEASE DATE:</b> September 1, 2001
<b>AGING:</b> 11 months in barrels (60% new French oak)	



Sleepy Hollow Vineyards lie in the Santa Lucia Highlands above the Salinas Valley. These east-facing hillsides have often been likened to Burgundy's Côte d' Or. The

expected warm, dry conditions are interrupted each afternoon by cool Monterey Bay winds. The long growing season starts earlier and ends later than others in California, allowing grapes to develop a greater range of flavors.

The '99 vintage exhibits bright tropical aromas with hints of vanilla, butterscotch and sweet oak. Intense and lively, it has flavors of pear, melon and spice that are supported by a structure of bright acidity. The finish is long, clean and tropical.

### **Technical Data**

<b>APPELLATION:</b> Santa Lucia Highlands	<b>FINISHED ALCOHOL:</b> 13.7%
<b>HARVEST DATES:</b> October 11, 1999	<b>TOTAL PRODUCTION:</b> 250 cases
<b>FERMENTATION:</b> whole cluster pressed 100% BBL fermented native yeasts	<b>RELEASE DATE:</b> September 1, 2001
<b>AGING:</b> 11 months in barrels (40% new French oak)	



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