

## 2008 La Sirena Cabernet Sauvignon Winemaker Notes/Fact Sheet

Announcing the much anticipated 2008 La Sirena Cabernet Sauvignon! A wonderful follow-up to our highly regarded 2007 vintage, this wine continues to display the elegance, balance, and beautiful opulence expected from La Sirena. Cabernet is what I am best known for (and my favorite wine to make). This is my direct replacement for Screaming Eagle made in the same style with a very similar blend profile.

### **Tasting Notes: Tasted 08/26/2011 by HPB**

*Gorgeous deep ruby color with a profound nose of black cherry, currants, ripe wild blackberries, a touch of cinnamon and spice, accented lightly by sweet toasty French oak. A very pure, layered wine, silky mouthfeel with bursts of flavor that mirror the aromas. The texture and balance are beautiful with very light chewy refined tannins and overall structure that will lend itself well to additional cellaring. Absolutely yummy!*

### **Just the Facts:**

Harvest Dates – Sept 8 – Oct 9 2008

Blend is 83% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Merlot, 2% Cab Franc. 4% Petit Verdot

Some Chemistry- 14.7% alc., T.A. 0.58, pH 3.70

100% French oak barrels, 22 months, variety of coopers and ages

Bottling date: July 21, 2010 Release date: October 1, 2011

Tiny Production: **392cs.** (750 ml. bottles), 90 magnums (1.5L), 8 3 liters etched, gold leaf, signed and 5 cases of 375's That's it!

Why "**La Sirena**"? The name means "the Mermaid" in Spanish and Italian. I chose it because I was looking for something fun and magical (like wine) and because I love to scuba dive as well as make wine. Our first vintage of La Sirena was 1994, making only a couple hundred cases of Sangiovese through 1999. We introduced the first Cabernet Sauvignon with the 1996 vintage and started making Syrah in 2000. We currently make three varieties at La Sirena: **Cabernet Sauvignon**, **Syrah** (Barrett Vineyards, Napa Valley, and Santa Ynez Valley), and a dry Muscat Canelli we call **Moscato Azul** (the only white wine I make). Plus, Fall of 2009 we introduced a proprietary red blend called **Pirate** from the 07 vintage. Production is always small, focusing on fine hand-made wines of purity and excellence, the best that can be made. Wishing you all the best!



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