

VILICANA

Winery = Vineyard



2009 ESTATE MOURVÈDRE

COMPOSITION:	100% Mourvèdre
VINEYARD:	Villicana Estate Vineyard
ALCOHOL:	15.75%
PRODUCTION:	75 cases (750 ml)
RETAIL:	\$35

WINEMAKER NOTES:

This wine shows an earthy nose along with dark stone fruit (just ripe plum) with a hint of oak. It is rich and opulent on the palate with stout, yet well mannered, tannins breaking through for a nice finish.

2009 VINTAGE NOTES:

2009 was an exciting vintage to manage in the vineyard to say the least. Winter brought Paso Robles its third consecutive year of drought, and the area also experience heavy frost in late-April. The summer was very typical, but things got complicated during the harvest when we received considerable rain in the second week of October. This halted the harvest for Villicana Winery. All this translates to a vintage with extremely low yields and highly concentrated flavors, tannins, and color. We kicked off the 2009 harvest on September 8th with our first picks of Viognier and Merlot (double gold medal winner), and ended the harvest on October 8th with our Syrah pick.

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