

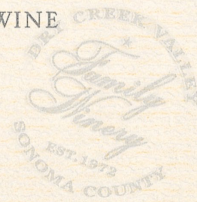
IN SPITE OF ROCK AND  
TEMPEST'S ROAR, IN SPITE  
OF FALSE LIGHTS ON  
THE SHORE, SAIL ON, NOR  
FEAR TO BREATHE THE SEA!

*The Mariner*  
*Dry Creek*  
VINEYARD

DRY CREEK VALLEY RED WINE  
MERITAGE

2005

ALC 13.9% BY VOL



2005 THE MARINER  
DRY CREEK VALLEY

GRAPES 46% Cabernet Sauvignon,  
40% Merlot, 6% Petit Verdot, 5% Malbec,  
3% Cabernet Franc

APPELLATION Dry Creek Valley

HARVEST September 19 –  
October 18, 2005

FERMENTATION Fermented 20 days  
at 83° F

BARREL AGING 25 months in  
French oak

ALCOHOL 13.9%

TOTAL ACIDITY 0.57

PH 3.74

RESIDUAL SUGAR Dry

2004 Vintage

**93 Points**  
*Wine Enthusiast Magazine*

**92 Points**  
*Wilfred Wong – Beverage & More*

**One of the**  
**"TOP 10 PROPRIETARY BLENDS OF 2007"**  
*The Wine News*

**88 Points**  
*Wine Spectator*

**★★★★ Four Stars, HIGHLY RECOMMENDED**  
*Decanter Magazine*

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

This is the second vintage of our premier Meritage blend, The Mariner. Utilizing all five of the noble Bordeaux varieties, this wine displays compelling aromas of wild black cherry, blueberry, and dried flowers. On the palate, the fruit shines through with succulent cherry, dark chocolate, and cassis that integrate seamlessly with silky smooth tannins. The finish is memorable for its lingering fruit flavors that balance perfectly with creamy vanilla oak nuances. Meritage is an art form and nothing proves this more than this artful blend of classic varietals.



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