

2007 ROCKPILE 'HALEY'S RESERVE' SYRAH

Appellation: Rockpile Production: 458 cases Alcohol: 15.5% Retail: \$60

Tasting Notes – Aromatically this wine has a roaring combination of black cherry that swirls in between blackberries and graphite. At times supple and soft, but also showing a firm mineral structure to support the powerfully rich fruit. This wine will only get better with time.

Pair With – Beef does a body good, but prepare it simply to show off the fruit and mineral component of the wine. Try an easy beef stew. Also does well with all types of poultry, including the hard-to-match turkey. Drink now to 15 years.

"Red and black fruits with a mineral backbone are the hallmarks of this wine and appellation. All clusters are hand-sorted upon arrival, destemmed into ½ ton open-top fermenters, punched down five times per day, and pressed directly into new Burgundian French oak barrels." – Jeff Cohn

> 94 points, Wine Spectator 91 points, Wine Advocate