

Clos LaChance

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2008 LILA'S CUVÉE

VINEYARDS

Fruit for Lila's Cuvée is sourced 100% from the Clos LaChance Estate Vineyard in San Martin. The 150-acre Estate Vineyard was planted in 1999-2000. Nearly 20 varietals were planted, along with 60 separate clones—providing our winemaker with a spice rack of blending wines. Hot sunny days throughout the growing season, coupled with cool ocean breezes in the evenings, allow for increased grape hang-time and the further development of flavors and complexities. Computerized vineyard maintenance and data recording systems (weather stations, leaf and soil sensors, automated irrigation and fertigation) were also installed on site, ensuring the highest quality fruit possible.

WINEMAKING

The different varietals Lila's Cuvée were hand-harvested, sorted and de-stemmed to separate stainless steel tanks to cold soak for up to 72 hours. During fermentation, punch downs took place up to 4 times per day at the peak. Once dry, the wine was drained and pressed to 100% French oak barrels, 30% new, to complete malolactic fermentation and age for 16 months. This wine racked back to tank, blended and bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES

Rich and dark. Opaque garnet color. Aromas of ripe raspberries, dark roasted coffee, strawberries and sour cherries. A hint of leather and bacon. The first flavors of fruit to hit the palate are true to the nose. Raspberries, cherries and strawberries. Medium acidity in the mid-palate. Would be great with a rich stew. Moderate tannins balance out the acidity and fruit flavors. A long finish with hints of vanilla and cocoa.

ABOUT LILA

Lila is the first granddaughter of Clos LaChance owners Bill and Brenda Murphy. The first vintage of this wine was released in 2005, the year she was born.



*Lila with Poppa, Clos LaChance
Founder CEO Bill Murphy*

TECHNICAL DATA

HARVEST DATES: Oct. 1-28, 2008
APPELLATION: Central Coast
BOTTLING DATES: May 19, 2010
RELEASE DATE: May, 2011

ALCOHOL: 14.5%
PH: 3.52
TA: 0.65
TOTAL CASES: 176
SRP: \$40

BLEND: 36% Syrah, 34% Petite Sirah, 28% Grenache, 1%Mouvèdre, 1% Carignane

CLOS LACHANCE IS A FAMILY-OWNED AND OPERATED WINERY LOCATED IN CALIFORNIA'S NORTHERN CENTRAL COAST.

