

Edgefield 2008 Cuvee de L'Abri Rouge

(Blend of the little red shed)

70% Oregon / 30% Washington



Release date: March 1st, 2010

Production: 436 cases
3.67 pH
5.6 TA
13.3% ALCOHOL

Blend: 38% Grenache, 32% Syrah, 10% Touriga Nacional,
10% Tempranillo, 5% Cinsaut, 5% Viognier

Tasting Notes: Dark ruby in color with aromas of black cherry, cedar, walnut, vanilla, licorice and cola, the 2008 Cuvee is medium bodied with light tannin and moderate acidity.

Varietal info:

Grenache: Is one of the most widely planted grape varieties in the world. It requires hot conditions to ripen and has aromas of berry and spice, a soft palate with low acid and tannin and high levels of alcohol. Grown in: France, Spain, US, Italy, Australia, Mexico, Chile, Argentina, Uruguay, and South Africa.

Syrah: A dark-skinned grape grown around the world that produces high tannin, dark red wines with aromas of licorice, cloves, chocolate, blackberry and mint. 7th most grown grape in the world, planted predominantly in: Australia, US, South Africa, Argentina, France and Chile.

Touriga Nacional: Portugal's finest grape with high tannin and flavors of black fruit it is often blended to add structure to red wines. Also used in Port production.

Tempranillo: Native to Spain, it is the main grape used in Rioja. Wines tend to be ruby red in color with aromas of berries, plum, tobacco, vanilla, leather and herb. Grown in: Spain, Argentina, Chile, Mexico, and the US.

Cinsaut: (pronounced 'san-so') it is a red wine grape that is very tolerant of heat and is often blended. Grown in: France, Morocco, Algeria, Lebanon, Australia, Italy, South Africa, and the US.

Viognier: Perfumed with aromas of peaches, pears and apricots, Viognier needs a warm climate to get ripe, making the wine tend to have high alcohol and low acidity. Traditionally co-fermented with Syrah to bring out Syrahs aromatics.