



# PLUMPJACK

## WINERY

### 2008 PlumpJack Estate Cabernet Sauvignon, Oakville

Production: 4047 cases  
Release Date: February 2011  
Varietals: 98% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% Petit Verdot  
Alcohol: 14.8%

#### Appellation/Vineyards

Our Estate Cabernet Sauvignon is sourced from our forty-acre Oakville Estate property that is also home to our winery and tasting room.

#### Harvest

Mother Nature provided ideal conditions as we began our Estate Cabernet Sauvignon harvest on September 12<sup>th</sup> and finished just over a month later on October 15<sup>th</sup>. The average Brix was 27.63, pH of 3.77, and titratable acidity 0.58 g/100ml.

#### Fermentation & Aging

For the Cabernet Sauvignon the fermentation took place after a 48 hour cold soaking at 40° F. Fermentation lasted between 12 to 21 days depending on the specific lot, temperature did not exceed 90° F. The Petit Verdot which accounts for 2% of the blend experienced a 96 hour cold soak at 40° F with a 21-day fermentation at temperatures not exceeding no greater than 90° F. The Petit Verdot was fermented in 700 liter oak puncheons. Malolactic fermentation occurred naturally in barrel for both the Cabernet Sauvignon and Petit Verdot. The wine received 24 months aging in 100% French Oak (75% new). Wine was stirred on lees for the first four months and racked three times in the first year of aging and two times in the second year. We used a mix of cooperages that included Taransaud, Sylvain, Demptos, Séguin Moreau among others.

#### Bottled

June 23-25th, 2010

#### Impressions

Our winemaker Anthony Biagi compares the 2008 PlumpJack Estate Cabernet to both the 2002 and 2007 vintages. The 2008 vintage shares the opulent flavor profiles of the 2007 and the mouth-coating tannins of the 2002. He describes this wine as possessing pungent aromas of blackberry, plums, black cherry and minerals. They are followed on the palate with flavors of blackberry pie, hoisin, black olive, and black cherry. The refined tannins make this wine more approachable now than the 2007. The wine will be at its best 5-7 years and will age up to 15 years.

**WA-(Robert Parker JR.) - 95 Points**