

## 2006 Syrah Port

**Source:** Gold Hill Vineyard, El Dorado County

**Harvest Date:** October, 2006

**Brix at Harvest:** 33.5

**Time in Barrel:** 18 months

**Type of Oak:** Neutral French & American

**Alcohol:** 20.2%

**Bottled:** March 2008

**Production:** 520 cases

**Winemaker's Notes:** This Port is styled after the Late Bottled Vintage (LVB) version of real Portuguese Ports. 100% Syrah grapes were used to create this wine. These grapes were picked at a point far past their normal ripeness point in order to allow high alcohol and high sugars to remain in the wine after 200-proof brandy was added during fermentation to stop the process.

This wine is a fine fit with any dessert featuring berries or chocolate. It also is a heavenly match to Bleu Cheese. Try it with a Crystal Basin Cigar for an after dinner treat.