



MAGNANIMUS  
WINE GROUP



MENDOCINO FARMS

## 2007 DARKHORSE RANCH GRENACHE



*process* | DEMETER CERTIFIED BIODYNAMIC®

*alcohol* | 14.5%

*pH* | 3.75

*T.A.* | 5.2 GRAMS/LITER

*production* | LABELS PRINTED WITH SOY BASED INKS/100% RECYCLED PAPER

The Darkhorse Ranch is located on the eastern slopes of the Ukiah Valley in the upper Russian River watershed, Mendocino County, California. The Ranch is certified Biodynamic and is planted to a variety of wine grapes, olives, flowering and native plants. It is home to horses, cows, sheep, goat and chickens along with many species of raptors, song birds and wildlife. The soils are Redvine sandy loams, consistent with other higher elevation vineyard sites in this area. These are red colored, high iron and well drained soils, which along with southeastern exposures are ideally suited for Rhone varietals. Darkhorse is owned by Paul Dolan and managed by his two sons, Heath and Jason.

Grapes for the 2007 vintage were gently de-stemmed and a small percentage of whole clusters were added to the fermenting tank for increased complexity. 5% of the fermenting juice was drained off the skins and fermented separately, intensifying the color and flavor of the remaining wine.

The resulting wine exhibits aromas of red berries and preserves. Along with hints of spice, and stone fruit. Kirsch liqueur and sweet cherry fruit are predominant in the mouth.