

# 2008 ROCKET SCIENCE BY CALDWELL

Napa Valley Proprietary Red Estate Grown



"She blinded him with science, Rocket Science.  
We have ignition!"

Vintage:	Seventh
Composition:	47% Syrah, 24% Cabernet Sauvignon, 22% Merlot, 4% Tannat, 3% Petit Verdot
Clone:	Various
Appellation:	Napa Valley, Coombsville District
Vineyard:	Caldwell Vineyard Estate, established 1981
Block:	Various
Yield:	3 tons per acre
Average Vine Age:	10 years
Vintage Summary:	The 2008 vintage was marked by cold conditions during growing season and the lack of rain during harvest season. Our vineyard escaped the pre-bloom frost that plagued the majority of the Napa Valley. Dry conditions marked the bloom including a heat spell that lasted a week which was followed by a fast and uniform berry set. Heat spells marked the early and later parts of the ripening season. Picking times trended early with yields at normal levels. Berry sizes were small but rich in flavor with soft skins.
Harvest Date:	Various
Fermentation:	59-gal barrel fermented and tank fermented
Yeast:	Natural, VQ15, and CSM
ML:	Vinoflora Oenos
Wood Origin:	Tronçais, Loiret, Center of France
Ageing:	22 months in barrel
New Oak Barrels:	60% new, 40% once filled (100% French)
Fining/Filtering:	Filtered
Bottled on:	June 29, 2010
Winemaker's Tasting Notes:	A voluptuous nose is dominated by black raspberry, black currant, ripe blueberries, black olive, cassis, clove and white pepper. A raspberry attack leads into a full, juicy mouth of ripe plum and cherry. The structured cocoa tannins gives way to a long finish of chocolate covered strawberries.
Cellaring:	3 – 6 years
Production:	1,500 cases
Price:	\$48 / 750ml