

*Syrah*2011

Vintage:	Fourth
Composition:	100% Syrah
Clone:	470
Appellation:	Napa Valley, Coombsville District
Vineyard:	Caldwell Vineyard Estate, established 1981
Block:	Kreuzer Canyon
Yield:	2.5 tons per acre
Average Vine Age:	8 years
Vintage Summary:	The 2011 vintage was considered the toughest vintage in decades. It was a cool growing season but mild. June rains produced shatter in late developing varieties and increased mildew pressure. Regularly alternating rain and heat spells during the ripening season produced high humidity and perfect conditions for botrytis. Fortunately, at Caldwell, we were able to utilize our full time vineyard crew, high quality standards and experience to wade through the challenges. The berry sizes were smaller with good flavor but soft skins.
Harvest Date:	October 30, 2011
Fermentation:	100% Tank Fermented
Yeast:	RP15
ML:	Natural
Wood Origin:	100% French (Vosges, Allier, Bertranges)
Ageing:	21 months in barrel
New Oak Barrels:	100%
Fining:	None
Filtering:	Filtered
Bottled on:	June 26, 2013
Winemaker's Tasting Notes:	A bright nose of red currant, cherry, raspberry, red licorice, white pepper, beet and orange blossom. A red raspberry attack leads into a juicy mouth of cherry, blackberry, cranberry, soy, and nutmeg. Silky dark chocolate tannins give way to a long strawberry finish.
Cellaring:	1 – 5 years
Production:	104 cases
Price:	\$65 / 750ml

