

SHOE SHINE®



Eaglepoint Ranch NV Petite Sirah: Mendocino County

Vineyard:	Eaglepoint Ranch: 97%, Tenbrink Vineyard: 3%
Vintages:	2005: 55% 2006: 45%
Varietal:	100% Petite Sirah
Cooperage:	100% French, 25% New
The NO's:	NO copper sulphate, acid addition, tannin addition, reverse osmosis, spinning cone, VA removal, velcorin, fining or filtration. NONE.
Cases:	75

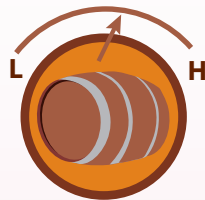
Winemaking Notes:

Special Note: This wine is dedicated to my firstborn son, CheBoo, who was born during fermentation in 2006. The wine has finished fermenting-- he, most certainly, has not.

Goals: Authenticity. Minimal Intervention. Vineyard driven. Balanced. Food-friendly yet Ageworthy.

Artisanal Method: De-stem only. Whole berry. Cold Soak. Delestage. Native Primary and Secondary fermentations.

Vintage Notes: 2005: 14 days on skins. 2006: Many dehydrated bunches-- hand sorting especially important. De-stemmed one day after Harvest. 22 days on skins. "Problem" fermentations-- some barrels took 6 months to finish.



Tasting Notes:

Nose of graphite, crushed stone, brambly black fruit. Layers of crisp black and blue fruit, spice, black currants, and an intriguing citrus note provides lift. Great weight and balance. Minerality builds with air. Thoughtful on its own, yet perfectly balanced to complement food.