

PEAY VINEYARDS

2006 *LA BRUMA* ESTATE SYRAH, SONOMA COAST

WINEMAKER VANESSA WONG'S TASTING NOTES

La Bruma ("the mist or fog") pays tribute to the role fog plays in producing our unique microclimate. The nose has medium to high intensity with red fruit and floral notes. Smoke, lavender and nicoise black olive tapenade aromas intermingle with cinnamon and other brown spices around a black raspberry core. On the palate *La Bruma* is powerful and smooth with fine silky tannins. Aromas of boar sausage, cured meat and guava build in the mid-palate. The finish is very long with lingering notes of mocha and marionberries. The 2006 *La Bruma* has more depth and is less peppery than the superb 2005.

La Bruma will provide much enjoyment on release if you pop the cork and drink straight away. But this is a wine that will engage all of your senses with 5 years or more in bottle. It has the structure, the depth of fruit and the breed to be a superior wine.

Clones: 1 (24%), Estrella (23%), 470 (19%), 174 (15%), and a suitcase selection (19%) that we call P²

Processing: Blocks were picked separately during the last week of October and then sorted and destemmed into 1 and 3 ton open top fermenters. A four day cold soak was followed by a 14-to-18 day whole berry fermentation. At all times, we employ gentle processing and bottle unfinned and unfiltered

Aging: 24% new Cadus, Damy and François Frères French oak barrels for 15 months

Production: 475 cases

PEAY VINEYARDS/THE SONOMA COAST

Peay Vineyards is located in the far northwestern corner of the "true" Sonoma Coast, four miles from the Pacific Ocean near Sea Ranch. The vineyard is located in an extreme area for grape growing with plenty of morning fog, afternoon winds and low 70° temperatures. These factors account for our long growing season that can lead to greater development of phenological components of ripeness, fruit complexity and expression of terroir.

We grow and produce **Pinot noir, Syrah, Chardonnay, Viognier and Roussanne/Marsanne**. Our winemaker and partner Vanessa Wong, formerly winemaker at Peter Michael Winery, crafts wine of elegance and focus that capture the cool climate location and express the minerality and fruit complexity that have become the hallmark of our vineyard. Case production is extremely limited. We sell fruit only to Williams Selyem and Failla wineries.