

NUTS & BOLTS

2008

SYRAH

Varietal:

100% Syrah

Appellation:

California

Vineyards:

Shadow Canyon, Live Oak, Les Galets (Laetitia), Luna Matta

Production:

590 cases made

Oak:

50% new French oak
50% neutral French oak

Time in Barrel:

16 months

Alcohol:

16.1 %

Whole Cluster fermentation:

15%

Cellar potential:

8-10 years

Release date:

April 1, 2010

TASTING NOTES

With two equal faces, one decadent, the other brooding and earthy, Nuts & Bolts displays the full capacity of the vintage's potential. Opening with spicy ginger snaps, fresh creme, strawberry rhubarb compote and vanilla, the wine shows it's darker side with hearty notes of char, carpaccio, bacon and persimmons. Like a Hawaiian bar-b-que, the palate is a melange of fruit and toasted spice; black currents, juniper, tar and Bing cherry give way to a near a minute long finish (DRINK NOW: 1-2 hour decant; CELLAR: 8-10 years)

FOOD PAIRINGS

Memphis-style ribs, venison, Spaghetti Bologne sauce and al pastor

SERVING

Temperature: 65° - 70° F

Decanting: 1-2 hours



ABOUT

Herman Story Wines is the brainchild of Russell P. From, a hard-living and hard-working winemaker on California's Central Coast. Named after Russell's multi-disciplined, Renaissance-man grandfather (e.g. "rancher, logger, swapper, banker, philanthropist, teller of tales"), Herman Story centers squarely on Rhone varieties sourced from A-list sites including Larner Vineyard (Santa Ynez Valley) and White Hawk Vineyard (Los Alamos Hills). Russell's philosophy on the importance of true ripeness for creating luscious, decadent and long-lived wines has given him a reputation for pushing the limits on how late he picks his fruit, particularly Syrah. "A serious Central Coast producer," says Robert Parker, "Herman Story Winery builds up its strength and credibility with each new vintage."

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