

ON THE ROAD

2008

GRENACHE

Varietal:
100% Grenache

Appellation:
California

Vineyards:
Larner, Pine Wood, Luna
Matta

Production:
398 cases made

Oak:
20% new French oak
80% neutral French oak

Time in Barrel:
16 months

Alcohol:
16.1 %

Whole Cluster fermentation:
30%

Cellar potential:
3-6 years

Release date:
April 1, 2010

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 varietals 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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TASTING NOTES

Right off the bat On the Road explodes with holiday spices and opulent fruit: cranberry relish, ground clove, strawberry pie a la mode, black licorice, orange zest and nutmeg. The silky, subtly earthy palate continues with espresso, wild English strawberry, cracked leather and white chocolate. The pleasant weight of the mouthfeel is complemented by the wine's strong tannic structure and spice driven finish.

FOOD PAIRINGS

Pumpkin risotto, a Cuban sandwich, serious chili, Santa Maria Style Barbecue

SERVING

Temperature: 65° - 70° F
Decanting: 1 hours

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