

# TOMBOY

## 2008

# WHITE BLEND

**Varietal:**

84% Viognier  
8% Marsanne  
8% Roussanne

**Appellation:**

Santa Barbara County AVA

**Vineyards:**

Larner, White Hawk,  
Bien Nacido

**Production:**

228 cases made

**Oak:**

40% new French oak  
60% neutral French oak

**Time in Barrel:**

12 months

**Alcohol:**

16.1 %

**Cellar potential:**

3-5 years

**Release date:**

November 1, 2009

## TASTING NOTES

Like a cowgirl gussied up and ready for the dance, this Marsanne, Roussanne and Viognier blend presents itself with a delicate nose of lillies, orange flower water and apricots but won't hesitate to slap you if you step out of line - she's got some muscle and meat on her bones. The nose continues with honeycomb, coconut creme pie and a healthy spritz of fresh tangerine. The massive, unctuous palate is perfectly balanced by its honest minerality and spice (think a pat of butter atop apple spice pancakes). TOMBOY finishes with a husky kick of buckwheat and a lingering honey note that leaves you wondering when she's coming back.

## FOOD PAIRINGS

Bouillabaisse, toro sushi, roasted chicken and savory breads

## SERVING

Temperature: 50° - 55° F

Decanting: (optional) 20 minutes

## 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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