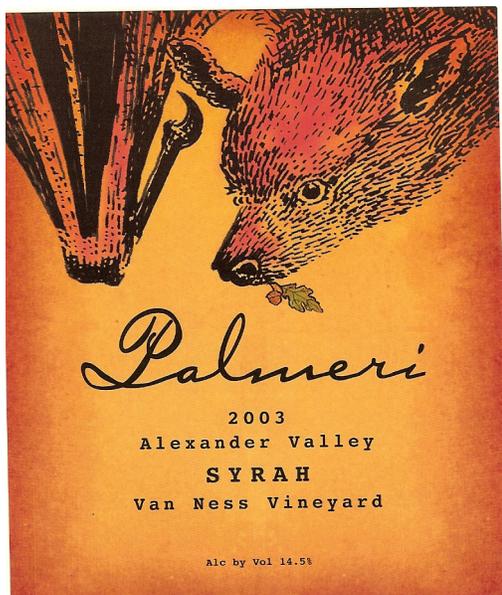


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Crafting Revolutionary Mountain Wines

**2003  
Alexander Valley  
Syrah  
Van Ness Vineyard**



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| <b>Winemaker:</b>         | Kerry G. Damskey  |
| <b>Harvest:</b>           | October, 2003   |
| <b>Vineyard Sourcing:</b> | Alexander Valley Van Ness Vineyard<br>900 foot elevation<br>Southwest facing slopes   |
| <b>Blend:</b>             | 98% Syrah Van Ness Vineyard,<br>Alexander Valley, Sonoma County<br>2% Cabernet Sauvignon-Stagecoach<br>Vineyard, Napa Valley, Napa County |
| <b>Alcohol:</b>           | 14.5%   |
| <b>Cooperage:</b>         | 19 months<br>50% New French Nevers Oak Barrel   |
| <b>Bottled:</b>           | April, 2005   |
| <b>Case Production:</b>   | 220, First Release  |

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**Tasting Notes:**

Purple-black hues and an amazing density of color, aroma and flavor profiles. The first vintage for this Alexander Valley mountain vineyard exceeded our expectations for new fruit; showing us that the Van Ness Vineyard will be a classic producer for Syrah for years to come.

The intensity of this wine wraps you with an enticing and seductive quality with a velvety sweet blackberry-anise richness unlike any Syrah you have ever tasted before-reflecting the Terroirs of this small and wondrous acreage.

In the mouth are richly textured flavor of sweet black fruits, ripened fig with nuances of vanillin. Well structured for suitable extended aging, this will be a wine you will want to discuss and enjoy in the near term for its youthful buoyancy and make it a keepsake for cellar anniversaries.