

KRUPP BROTHERS ESTATES

2005 The Advocate Stagecoach Vineyard

<i>Release Date</i>	September 1, 2007
<i>Vineyards</i>	This wine showcases our grapes from the legendary Stagecoach Vineyard, which ascends from 900 feet above sea level where it adjoins the Oakville appellation of 1,700 feet on the southern side of Pritchard Hill. The intense, rocky soils are ideal for this unique blend of Petit Verdot, Merlot and Malbec. All three varietals are densely planted using the best French clones.
<i>Vintage 2005</i>	Bud break came early in 2005. The vines began to open their leaves in mid March. Bloom came late in May and the summer remained cool, leading to a long hang time. A long, warm fall contributed to perfect ripening weather.
<i>Date of Harvest</i>	October 13 – November 1, 2005
<i>Varietal Composition</i>	57% Petit Verdot, 25% Merlot, 18% Malbec
<i>Fermentation</i>	Each vineyard block was treated as a discrete batch allowing the subtle differences between each block to be handled accordingly. There was an average 4 day cold soak with 25 days of skin contact.
<i>Alcohol</i>	14.8%
<i>Cooperage</i>	15 months in 75% new French oak barriques – Taransaud, Bossuet and Sylvain
<i>Yield</i>	2.4 tons/acre
<i>Bottled</i>	March 1, 2007 Unfined & Unfiltered
<i>pH/Brix</i>	3.80/27.2
<i>Production</i>	483 cases



WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS

Deep purple/magenta hues; Bright, fruit driven aromas of cranberry, raspberry, dark cherry and plum are intermingled with tobacco, spice and rhubarb yielding an inviting and complex nose. The palate is beautifully focused and polished. Raspberries, violets, lavender and cranberries give way to fine dusty tannins that frame the mouth perfectly. Serve with Duck confit and cherry glaze or hard cheeses such as Asiago, Parmesan and Romano. Enjoy now through 2015.

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Owned by Dr. Jan Krupp and his brother Bart. The Estates are comprised of three different vineyards: Stagecoach, Krupp, and Krupp Brothers. These vineyards are the sources for their three brands: Veraison, Black Bart and the Krupp Brothers Estates Gold Series.