

GOLD MEDAL WINE CLUB'S

**PLUS!**

*Platinum Series Selection*

**Macauley Vineyard**

*2008 Petite Sirah*

Napa Valley

*Just 124 Cases Produced!*

Mac Watson was born into a family who loved wine, and at an early age he discovered the ultimate joy of wine pleasure. This experience took place when he was just 14 years old at the hallowed grounds of Chateau Lafite Rothschild in the Pauillac region of Bordeaux. After tasting several flights of the world renowned wine with his parents, Mac was hooked and knew his future lay in the wine industry. It was this epiphany that would lead him to the ownership of Macauley Vineyard. The family winery began operation in the early 1980's under the direction of his mother, Ann Macauley Watson, and she successfully ran the operation until her death in 1994. Mac knew he had to revive his mother's label, and in 2000 the second generation of Macauley Vineyard was born. He teamed up with childhood friend Kirk Venge, the son of legendary winemaker Nils Venge who has produced numerous top caliber wines for decades. Kirk is also considered a star among Napa Valley winemakers, and today holds full ownership of his family's Venge Vineyards. Together, Mac and Kirk make an impressive team and craft some extraordinary wines that honor Mac's mother's original idea. Production is quite small (this year Macauley will produce only 1,250 cases), but the plaudits and scores its wines have received are extremely impressive and make Macauley Vineyard a wonderful tribute and Napa Valley winery.

### ACCOLADES & TASTING NOTES

*Macauley Vineyard's debut Petite Sirah*, the massively concentrated 2008 is dark, dense, and rustic from the Moss Creek Vineyard in Napa Valley. It yields an impenetrable color of deep and dark purple with a nose of black fruit pie and dark chocolate. The palate reveals flavors of summer blackberries with a tantalizing texture and a finish that draws you back in for more...and more! *Robert Parker* awards this winning wine **91 POINTS**: "It is delicious on the palate with surprisingly civilized tannins and lots of sweet blue and black fruits intermixed with a hint of spring flowers. This up and coming, young vigneron is doing some very special work, so consumers take note." Winemaker Kirk Venge has crafted a beautifully intriguing wine with this Macauley Vineyard 2008 Petite Sirah. Aged 20 months in oak. 100% Petite Sirah. Enjoy now until 2018.

Winery Direct: \$45.00 /bottle

***Gold Medal Wine Store price:***

**2-Bottle Members: \$36.00**

**4-Bottle/ Multi-Series Members: \$34.00**

\*2 bottle min. order.

Availability is extremely limited.

(plus shipping)

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