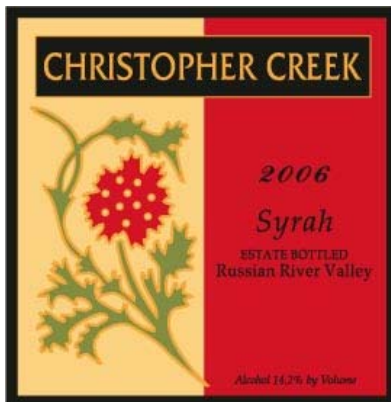




# Christopher Creek Winery

## 2006 Russian River Estate Bottled Syrah



At Christopher Creek we take special care in the management of our vineyards, and as always we hand-pick, hand-sort and hand-macerate our fruit to produce a distinct wine from “our” edge of the Russian River Valley. The 2006 Estate Bottled Syrah is no exception.

Produced in the Classical French Style from multiple clonal grapes grown at the winery site, our 2006 Estate Bottled Syrah displays black plum and black cherry with tastes of cocoa, spice, minerals and subtle smoky notes. On the palate, the texture is smooth and ample with a very long complex finish created by the rich, yet soft tannins. We would recommend bottle aging this wine for at least a year before drinking to let the tannins soften and the fruit fully develop. Properly cellared, we would expect this wine to age well for 6-10 years. Try our Syrah with Barbecued, Marinated Tri-Tip roast, Game Birds, Lamb, Beef Stew or Spicy Foods (Mexican, Exotic Asian Infusions). Syrah is also a great food companion to chocolate.

### 2006 Vintage

Gold Medal – Sonoma County Harvest Fair, September 2009

Silver Medal – Tasters Guild International, May 2008

### 2005 Vintage

Best of Class-New World International Wine Competition (Jerry Mead), April 2007

Silver Medal-Pacific Rim International Wine Competition, April 2007

Silver Medal– Sonoma County Harvest Fair, September 2007

### 2004 Vintage

Gold Medal– Tasters Guild, May, 2006

Gold Medal- “North of the Gate” Wine Competition SAVOR Wine Magazine, May 2006

### 2003 Vintage

Gold Medal– Tasters Guild, May, 2005

Silver Medal-Jerry D Mead’s New World Wine Competition, February, 2005

Silver Medal-The SF Chronicle No. CA. Wine Competition, February 2005

Exceptional– Dan Berger’s Vintage Experience, February 10, 2005

### 2002 Vintage

Gold Medal-Pacific Rim International Wine Competition (Top 5% of all wines entered), April 2004

Silver Medal-Orange County Fair, June 2004

### 2001 Vintage

Silver Medal- Sonoma County Harvest Fair, September 2003

Silver Medal-Riverside International Wine Competition, April 2003

### 2000 Vintage

Silver Medal-Sonoma County Harvest Fair, September 2002

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### 1999 Vintage

Best of Class (Best Syrah) Gold Medal-Sonoma County Harvest Fair, September 2001

“93” Australian & California Shootout, August 2001

Harvested September 2006— 3.1 tons/acre

Aged 13 months in French Oak Barrels PH 3.81 at Bottling

Released Spring 2008

366 Cases Produced

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**WINE PROFILE  
STYLE  
2006 RR Estate Bottled Syrah**

**Light Bodied**

**Drink Now (0-3 Years)**

**Slightly Fruity**

**No Tannins**

**Low Acidity**

**No Resid Sugar-Dry**

**X**

**Medium Bodied**

**Will Age (3-5 Years)**

**Fruity**

**Softer Tannins**

**Medium Acidity**

**Off Dry**

**X**

**X**

**X**

**X**

**Full Bodied**

**Will Age (6-10 Years)**

**Very Fruity**

**Heavier Tannins**

**Higher Acidity**

**Sweet**

**X**

**Comments:**

**Tannins will continue to soften as wine ages. Will handle higher acid and spicy foods. Classical Syrah Style. Begin to serious drink Fall 09. Buy at least 6 bottles and enjoy a bottle each year. 2005 was “Best of Class” winner.**