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## SEVENS BENCH VINEYARD

CARNEROS • PINOT NOIR

2007

### VINEYARD CHARACTER

The 2007 Sevens Bench Pinot Noir is our seventh release from this estate, Carneros AVA vineyard. Low yields, high-density spacing and intensive farming are all essential elements in crafting this evocative wine. Our Sevens Bench Vineyard is a small vineyard block on Duhig Road in Napa-Carneros. The name Sevens Bench is derived from the two predominant clones, Dijon 667 and Dijon 777, planted at the vineyard. These Dijon clones produce a wine with intense fruit aromas, an expansive mid-palate and fine-grain tannins.

### TASTING NOTES

Aromas of raspberries, plums and sandalwood converge with exotic East Asian spices and earth elements to produce an amazingly complex wine. Wonderfully lush in the mouth with pomegranate, black cherry and spice flavors, framed by sweet, generous tannins. This wine of astounding concentration and depth should continue to improve in bottle for 6 to 8 years.

### WINE STATISTICS

Oak:	100% French oak; 60% new
Time in oak:	15 months
Alcohol:	14.1%
TA:	5.3g/L
pH:	3.65
Cases produced:	320
No fining or filtration	



### HISTORIC ACCLAIM

2005: 'Outstanding' 91/100, Robert Parker's *Wine Advocate*, December 2007

2005: Four Stars, Ronn Wiegand M.S., *M.W. Restaurant Wine*, August 2007

2002: 'Outstanding' 94/100, Robert Parker's *Wine Advocate*, February 2005

2002: 'Outstanding' 91/100, Stephen Tanzer's *International Wine Cellar*, May 2004

2001: Four Stars, Ronn Wiegand M.S., *M.W. Restaurant Wine*, August 2003

2000: 'Outstanding' 92/100, *The Wine Enthusiast*, August 2003