



# DONATI FAMILY VINEYARD 2008 Cabernet Franc

## Vineyard & Harvest

The 2008 growing season started with bud break in mid March after a cool and dry winter. With the lack of rainfall, vine canopies were below normal vigor which produced small clusters with tiny berries. Temperatures during the growing season were very calm and consistent making it possible to harvest at the optimum maturity producing our best vintage yet.

#### Winemaking

100% Stainless Steel Fermented
Open top fermentation utilizing twice daily punch-downs

## Aging

100% Barrel Aged; 25% New French Oak, 13% New American Oak, 37% Neutral French Oak, 25% Neutral American Oak for 17 months

#### **Tasting Notes**

Aroma: Raspberry, violets, tobacco

Palate: Red berry fruit, medium bodied, firm tannin

### **Bottling Notes**

Blend: 83% Cabernet Franc

14% Merlot

3% Cabernet Sauvignon

Appellation: Paicines Bottling Date: 3/3/10

Alcohol: 14.2% Alcohol by Volume

Cases Produced: 394 cases