



DONATI FAMILY VINEYARD

2008 Ezio

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.

The History

Ezio has been a family favorite since the inaugural vintage. This wine was named in honor of Ezio Donati, the first of the Donati family born in the New World.

Winemaking and Aging

Open top fermentation utilizing twice daily punch-downs
100% Barrel Aged; 39% New French Oak, 15% New American Oak, 46% Neutral French Oak

Tasting Notes

Aroma: Vanilla, spice, coffee.

Palate: Rich tannin and soft acid finishing with dark berry fruit and cocoa.

Bottling Notes

Blend: 70% Cabernet Sauvignon
20% Merlot
4% Cabernet Franc
4% Petit Verdot
2% Malbec

Appellation: Paicines

Bottling Date: 7/21/11

Bottling Analysis: TA = 6.98g/L, pH = 3.71, RS = 0.20g/L

Alcohol: 14.6% Alcohol by Volume

Cases Produced: 337