

*2009 Green Valley of Russian River Valley  
Kobler Family Vineyard Syrah*

The 2009 is a co-fermentation of 90% Syrah and 10% Viognier fermented with 70% whole cluster (a reduction from the 100% whole cluster of the previous 5 vintages). It will be aged 18 months in French oak (0% new) prior to bottling. The aromas in this vintage are riddled with classic black and white pepper, black berry, and cured meats. Though lower in alcohol than 2008, this vintage appears to be weightier and richer though still within the confines of freshness we expect from this northern Rhone-like site.

*Vineyard Notes:*

**Location**

Kobler Family Vineyard is located on a slightly elevated ridge along the eastern border of Green Valley in the Russian River Valley, and its distinguishing climatic influences are cool temperatures, fog, and afternoon breezes. The Syrah and Viognier vines find footing in free draining Gold Ridge Loam and are grown organically (the Viognier is also dry formed).

**Percentage New Oak**

0%

**Barrel Aging**

18 months

**Composition**

Syrah (touch of Viognier)

**Alcohol**

13.8%

**Production**

330 cases

