



Jackass Hill Muscat Alexandria
Russian River Valley
2009

Vineyard Character

This rugged section of the ranch is referred to by the Martinelli family as “Jackass Hill” because only a jackass would farm a hill that steep. Jackass Hill is the steepest non-terraced hillside vineyard in Sonoma County. These Muscat vines are interspersed within an old Zinfandel vineyard, and are also over 100 years old, head-pruned, and picked separate from the Zinfandel that surrounds it.

Wine Statistics

The Muscat Alexandria is fermented with wild yeast and barrel fermented in neutral French oak barrels.

Case Production: 257

Tasting Notes

The 2009 Muscat Alexandria coats the mouth with rich honeysuckle, mango, lychee, passion fruit, vanilla and sweet spices. The sugars are kept below 4% to allow for a less cloying dessert wine, perfect for enjoying with a cheese tray or a fruit dessert.

Historical Acclaim

2009 Vintage

- 92 points Antonio Galloni, The Wine Advocate

Winemaker: Bryan Kvamme

Consulting Winemaker: Helen Turley