

2008 VIOGNIER

Shimmin Canyon Vineyard - *Three Decades of Wine Growing Excellence*

Shimmin Canyon Vineyard is located in the Paso Robles AVA, halfway between Monterey and Santa Barbara. The warm, temperate climate is ideal for Cabernet Sauvignon, which makes up almost half the ranch.

The Vineyard, previously known as “Continental Vineyards” at Rancho Tierra Rejada was established in 1973 as one of the first large-scale producers in the area. The Shimmin Canyon team has remained innovative and adaptable to sustainable farming techniques and practices over these 30+ years.

With a pioneering spirit and a can-do attitude, Ric Fuller (*2008 Paso Robles Wine Grape Grower of the Year*), and his team at Shimmin Canyon are consistently among the first to embrace change, and the last to shy away from a challenge. They were early adopters of sustainable farming practices — protecting water quality and other eco-friendly activities. They were also among the first to use technological advances — ranging from overhead irrigation for frost control to sophisticated weather stations to carefully monitor growing conditions and insect population dynamics — as methods by which to maintain optimal fruit quality.

Winemaker

Winemaker Steve Glossner is a Paso Robles veteran with an outstanding reputation for the wines he’s made at Justin, Adelaida Cellars and Halter Ranch.

His wine career started shortly after graduating from Cornell University, where he discovered the wines of the Finger Lake region. He quickly learned the industry in a fine wine shop in western New York, followed by harvest jobs at various wineries in Sonoma County, a harvest in New Zealand, and graduate study in Enology at CSU Fresno.

Glossner produced the 1994 Justin Isosceles which was awarded the prestigious international Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande Trophy for the best blended red wine of the year.

Winemaker’s Notes

Wine is a beverage of the senses. Like a breath of summertime air, scents of honeysuckle, white peach and fresh ginger. This 2008 Viognier is soft, rich and evocative. We hope our efforts provide you the rewards of a wonderful glass of wine at a tremendous value.

-Winemaker, Steve Glossner



Varietal Mix

100% Viognier

Vineyard

Shimmin Canyon Vineyard
Established: 1973
Appellation: Paso Robles

Harvest

Date: Sept. 5, 2008

Wine

Alcohol: 13.50%
pH: 3.6
TA: 6.75 g/l
Bottling Date: Dec. 2009
Cases Produced: 300