



THOMAS KRUSE WINERY

GRAPE PRICES FOR 2008

We planted our vineyard in the spring and summer of 1998. The year before we did extensive preparation of the ground so it would be ready to grow the best vines in the area for the next 50 years. There are no frivolities in the vineyard but we spared no expense on anything or everything necessary to a good workable long term and productive operation.

It's real good dirt and we have just the right amount of sun and breeze to develop ripe healthy fruit. It may be one of the finest natural vineyard sites in the world. This connection between the ground and it's wines cannot be overstressed.

The rows run North/South so that when the sun is at its' apex the dirt between the rows is not shaded. The vines have a divided foliar canopy and each is trained to have four arms. This way allows the vines to grow into maturity at a slower rate and they are not forced into early high production which will rob them of vitality. Leaves are solar panels. Our quadrilateral cordon system assures that there are enough leaves to manufacture the sugar to ripen the grapes. And, just as important, this trellising system spreads out the foliar canopy so that all the leaves receive light and work efficiently. This system also creates a natural healthy balance of cane length to fruit.

This year, we have beautiful **Cabernet Sauvignon** grapes available to home winemakers who want grapes with a history of being the source of award winning wines.

These same grapes won a double gold medal from the 2007 San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition for our 2004 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon.

Orders are being taken now, for small lots.

Price \$950/ton picked or \$850/ton u-pick. Smaller quantities can be had at the same prices.



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AND EVERY SO OFTEN BOTTLE FERMENTED SPARKLING WINE A LA METHODE CHAMPENOISE