

# NADEAU

*Family Vintners*

## 2005 Viognier

### **The Winery**

Nadeau Family Vintners is the result of years of effort by Robert Nadeau and his wife, Patrice. Together they renovated a tiny barn in the mountains west of Paso Robles, transforming it into an efficient, well-equipped micro-winery. Old-world styled vineyards have been planted on the slopes surrounding the building...most of the planting is dedicated to dry-farmed, head-trained Zinfandel, with an acre or so devoted to Grenache Noir and Petite Sirah. At nearly 2000 feet in elevation, the property is generally above the morning fog and usually receives about twice the rainfall seen below in Paso Robles (Elev: 960')

### **The Wine**

The Nadeau Family Vintners' 2005 Viognier "Central Coast" is a lovely white wine. It is 100% Viognier and is especially welcome since we were not able to produce a Viognier from the 2004 vintage. Viognier is one of the less pronounceable Rhone varieties and is the one which has become a favorite white wine for many American consumers who've grown bored with Chardonnay.

### **The Blend**

100% Viognier

### **The Vital Statistics**

60% Santa Ynez

40% Paso Robles

100% 2005 Vintage

Harvest: August & September, 2005; Sugar @ Harvest: average: 26.5 Brix; TA: 0.66 gm./100mL; pH: 3.48

Finished Wine EtOH: 14.6% By Vol.

These grapes were whole-cluster pressed using a pneumatic bladder press, cold-settled, inoculated with yeast and fermented in chilled Stainless Steel tanks. The resulting wine was aged sur-lie, then barreled down to new and 1 year old French-oak barrels. This delightful wine was cold-stabilized then filtered and bottled in spring, 2006.

The 2005 Vintage yielded only 112 cases.

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