



THE STORY First planted to Martha's Vineyard clone Cabernet in 1973, the Wedding Vineyard covers eleven gently sloping acres (up to 15 degrees, oriented south-west) on our Mountain Estate at an elevation of 1,200 feet. Approximately nine acres were replanted in 2001 under the careful guidance of David Abreu: seven blocks of Cabernet (clone 337 and Martha's Vineyard clone), one block of Petit Verdot (clone 400) and one block of Cabernet Franc (clone 327).

THE WINE

- 88% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Cabernet Franc
- Whole-berry fermented in 100% new French oak barrels
- Aged sur lees 21 months in 100% new French oak barrels
- Bottled July 2010
- 200 cases produced

TASTING NOTES

The 2008 Cabernet Sauvignon Wedding Vineyard is made from a very late-ripening site (the 2008 was picked in October) and includes some Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. It boasts considerable density and sheer muscle in its black fruit, tar, licorice and violets. Patience is going to be the key here. Anticipated maturity: 2015-2028.

~ 94 Points, Robert Parker's *The Wine Advocate*