



HILL FAMILY
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2008 Atlas Peak Cabernet Sauvignon

Production: 194 cases

Composition: 85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Petit Verdot and 5 %Malbec

Vineyards: Baker, Soda Canyon REI and Knubis (all Atlas Peak Appellation)

Cooperage: 66% in new French oak (Remond, Saury) and 22% in new American oak (Radoux Appalachian)

Alcohol: 14.5% alc, 3.70 pH, 0.61 TA

Release Date: Fall 2011

Release Price: \$68.00

Atlas Peak Cabernet Sauvignon is accumulating a well deserved reputation for intensity and finesse. At 1500 ft. elevation, the Baker vineyard is a series of different soil types carved out of heavy chapparal in Foss Valley with a southwestern exposure, featuring several clones and rootstalks selected by Doug Hill for their suitability to this thin soil with its rocky out crops.

Winemaker Alison Doran's tasting notes:

Nose) Rich, blackberry fruit with spicy cedar undertones open to deeper and darker fruit such as currants and plums.

Palate) Ripe, bright, focused and determined cassis and blackberry fruit perched on an underlying mountain tannin structure. At this point, the palate is more a fireworks display than a seamless elegant presentation, but it has polish and verve already that will continue to reward collectors.