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2004 Alisos Vineyards syrah

VARIETAL(S): 100% syrah

APPELLATION: 100% Santa Barbara County

VINEYARD(S): 100% Alisos Vineyards

BRIX AT HARVEST: 25.7°

PH: 3.76

TA: 5.84 g/L

ALCOHOL: 14.6%

COOPERAGE: 30% new oak, French & American, barrel aged for 10 months

FERMENTATION: 100% destemmed, with as many whole berries as possible, into 1-ton open top fermentors, punched down by hand 2-3 times per day. Pressed at dryness, settled, then racked to barrel. The yeasts used were commercial strains including BM-45 (Brunello) and D-254 (Rhone).

PRODUCTION: 250 cases

RECOMMENDED RETAIL: \$45.00

WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS: This vineyard is located in between the Santa Maria and Santa Ynez appellations, on a very exposed hilltop. The vines harvested for this wine are young, but planted in a very unique spot on the site, giving them quite a bit of character for their age.

TASTING NOTES: Dark fruits and black licorice on the nose, along with a bit of black pepper and smoke. The palate is elegant, with black cherry fruit and a varietal spicy, gamey character. Long finish with good acidity and moderate tannins.