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## 2007 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

*Diamond Mountain District*

The Davies family, proprietors of Schramsberg Vineyards in Napa Valley, presents its second vintage of jd. Produced from the property's historic Diamond Mountain vineyards, the jd Cabernet Sauvignon is the product of an intimate knowledge of a place, and a passion to create a delicious red wine. The genesis of jd came about as Hugh Davies and Sean Thompson realized that there were many outstanding barrels of unused wines remaining after the final blend of J. Davies was determined. It is an integral part of making a world class wine to craft more lots than are needed, which allows the winemaking team the opportunity to select the lots that are in stylistic harmony with the final product. It is in the process of blending where winemakers express their creativity and artistry, and the results of the blend trials were so compelling that they decided to bottle a small quantity of a second wine, jd.

### The Vineyards

The vineyard blocks, totaling 43 acres, are laid out in three isolated pockets ranging from approximately 500 to 1000 feet in elevation. They include the two Schram sections, Napa Valley's first hillside vineyards, originally established in 1862 by Jacob Schram, and the McEachran parcel, which was first planted by Colin McEachran in 1878. These are the southernmost vineyards in the Diamond Mountain District AVA. Flanked by two cool creek canyons (Nash Creek to the north and Ritchie Creek to the south) and surrounded by dense coniferous and deciduous forests, the vines here produce late-ripening, richly concentrated fruit with average yields of just two tons per acre.

### Tasting Notes

"Aromas of black cherry, plum, and cranberry are accentuated by black licorice, black tea and tobacco. A bright palate of strawberry and dried cranberry flavor affirms the aromas with soft velvety tannins supplying the support for a ripe, dark plum finish."

*– Winemakers Sean Thompson and Hugh Davies*



<b>Winemakers:</b>	Sean Thompson, Hugh Davies
<b>Varietal Composition:</b>	87% Cabernet Sauvignon 11% Malbec 2% Merlot
<b>Appellation:</b>	Diamond Mountain District, Napa Valley Estate grown
<b>Harvest Dates:</b>	October 4 through October 26, 2007
<b>Barrel Aging:</b>	22 months in French oak, 56% new
<b>Coopers:</b>	Vicard, Taransaud, Saury, Gamba
<b>Alcohol:</b>	14.5 %
<b>TA:</b>	0.60 g/100mL
<b>pH:</b>	3.78
<b>Bottling Date:</b>	August 12, 2009
<b>Release Date:</b>	April 5, 2010
<b>Cases Produced:</b>	392 (9-Liter)
<b>Suggested Retail:</b>	\$40