

MILLER WINE WORKS

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## 2005 Syrah, Sage Canyon Vineyard, Napa Valley

With the philosophy deeply ingrained in his psyche that wine is a liquid food, Gary Miller, an accomplished chef, parlayed his career in the food industry to follow his passion...winemaking. Gary has worked for such notable wine producers as La Jota, Martinelli, and Robert Biale. His own brand, Miller Wine Works, is an expression of all the paths Gary's life has taken, from being raised in a rural, Western New York family to becoming a Napa Valley vintner. As a chef, Gary fully understands the necessity of integration and balance when the fruits of the land intermingle with the fruits of one's labor. Who better than a chef-winemaker to bring forth skillfully integrated, well-balanced wine?

Sage Canyon Vineyard in Napa Valley produces premium wine grapes from a steep mountain ranch with elevations that range from 900 to 1,400 feet above the Napa Valley floor. Extensive summertime early morning fog make this vineyard an ideal wine grape growing area. On this 60 acre vineyard, Cabernet Sauvignon, Zinfandel, Syrah, and Petite Sirah are grown. Soils types are a complex combination that includes Berressa dibble, and both Los Gatos and Millsholm loam.

### Technical data:

Varietal Content	95% Syrah, 5% Petite Sirah
Aging	29% new French for 20 months
Titratable Acidity	0.65 g / 100 ml.
pH	3.79
Alcohol	15.4 %
Release Date	May 1, 2008
Case Production	387 cases

### Winemaker Notes:

The **2005 Miller Wine Works Syrah, Sage Canyon Vineyard, Napa Valley** initially presents you with aromas of fresh violets, which then cede to notes of anise, and finally some tar. On the palate, a firm structure, and ample tannins border the copious integration of ripe blackberries and earthy minerality, while confirming the hints of tar discovered earlier. While somewhat viscous, and reasonably long even now, this wine will continue to evolve for the next three to five years easily.

**Suggested Retail:** \$42.00