



2003 Axiom-Syrah

*Alegría Vineyards
Russian River Valley*

At Acorn Winery our passion is traditional field-blend and vineyard-blend wines. Our food-friendly wines fully express the fruit characteristics of the diverse grape varieties we grow at our Alegría Vineyards in Sonoma County's Russian River Valley.

Betsy and Bill Nachbaur

"Highly Recommended" – California Grapevine

Gold Medal Winner

Sonoma County Harvest Fair

Silver Medal Winner

California State Fair

Winemaking Notes

An axiom is a "self evident or universally recognized truth." And it is axiomatic that our Syrah is a classic wine. From the first sip you will know it's true.

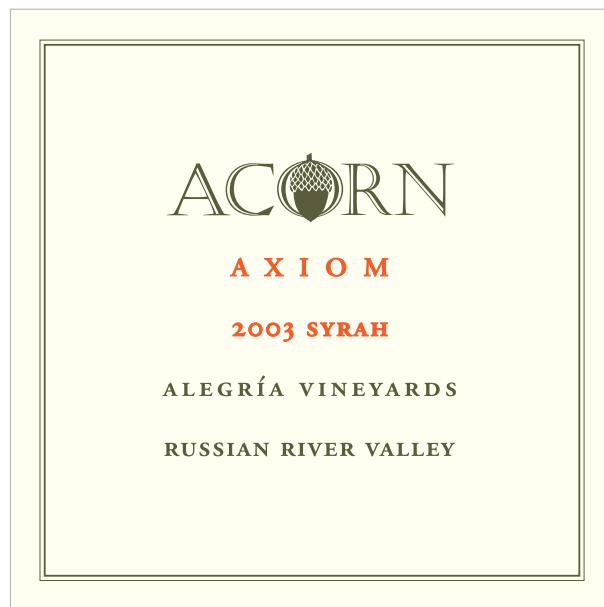
Axiom's distinctive luscious flavors come from co-fermenting three clonal selections of Syrah with a small amount of Viognier, following the custom of the northern Rhone Valley of France. Complexity also comes from differences in the soil and topography in various parts of Alegría Vineyards and our cool Russian River Valley climate that allows full development of flavors.

Aging in a combination of French, American, and Hungarian oak barrels smoothly integrated the varied elements of the wine, which will continue to gain in complexity over the next five to ten years.

The combination of the clonal selections, the vineyard's microclimate, and the skill and experience of our consulting winemaker, Alison Green Doran, create a rich, full-bodied Syrah.

Tasting Notes

Luscious aromas of plum and blackberries mingle with spices and smoky oak. Intense, concentrated flavors of ripe blackberry and spicy plum marry with dark-roasted coffee and rich smoky qualities to enhance the character of the wine. A chewy, dense texture, incredible structure, and delicious flavors produce an amazing, well balanced wine. Enjoy now with spicy sausage, prime rib, or anything with olives. Tuck some away for a few years to enjoy the magic of an aged Syrah.



Composition

A single-vineyard blend of 99% Syrah and 1% Viognier.

Vintage	2003
Appellation	Russian River Valley
Vineyard	
Designation	Alegría Vineyards
Harvest Dates	October 29, 2003
Brix	25.5° Brix
Barrel Aging	18 months
Type of Oak	48% French, 41% American, 11% Hungarian, 38% new barrels
Bottled	April 28, 2005
Case Production	519
Alcohol	15.3%
pH	3.89
T.A.	0.68g/100ml
Release Date	September 2005

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