2004 Eponymous Red Wine MacAllister Vineyard

This second vintage of Eponymous Red Wine immediately pleases with complex aromas hinting of cassis, spicy oak notes, slight camphor and raspberries. Held to the light one sees a rich, purple- scarlet color that hints at the broad palette these grapes afford the winemaker. Excellent body and structure with the flavors following the aromas and added nuances of chocolate and rhubarb. This wine's elegance and refinement starts with the lush entry and continues through the mid-palate and on to a long, pleasing finish.

The grapes come from a single vineyard, MacAllister Vineyard, near the ridge of the Mayacamas Range on the Sonoma side of Mt. Veeder. This is a spectacular sloping site with multiple exposures and well drained, low fertility soils.

The second vintage of Eponymous MacAllister Vineyard Red Wine exhibits the traits expected in a Bordeaux Blend. Elegance and refinement without giving up any body or structure.

Winemaking: A joint effort between myself and my consulting partner, Jeff Booth. This is our second Bordeaux Blend since we teamed up on the first Conn Creek Anthology, 1991 vintage. That wine was the highest rated wine in the 25 year history of Stimson Lane at the time, and we think this wine is at least its equal.

Varietal: 69% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Cabernet Franc, 20% Merlot

Appellation: Sonoma Valley, MacAllister Vineyard

Brix @ Harvest 25.0 to 25.7

Oak Aging 20 months (60% new oak which was 90% french / 10% American)

Winemaker Bob Pepi Alcohol 14.4% TA(g/100ml) .54 pH: 3.69

Harvest Dates 9/25/04 and 10/6/04

Bottling Date 8/14/06

Production 1207 12/750ml cases