



Sori Bricco Vineyard

Merlot

Vineyard Description Sori Bricco is a vineyard located high in the hills of Diamond Mountain that enjoys endless days of warm sun shining on its steep slopes. The vineyard spans a wide range of hillsides with very different sun exposures resulting in separate harvest dates across the ranch. The soil is composed of a sandy, gravelly loam and the vines tend to be very small. The climate is quite warm in the early spring and these vines are among the first to bud each year. It is one of our earliest ripening vineyards and provides fully mature, densely concentrated fruit.

Appellation Diamond Mountain District (Napa Valley)

Year Planted 1971 and 1981

Varietal Merlot

Acreage 10 acres

Clone & Rootstock Merlot clone 3 on AxR, IIOR and St. George rootstock

Trellising Quadrilateral trellising system

Geology This vineyard has a sandy, gravelly loam derived from the Boomer soil series, which are well drained and found on uplands.

Tasting Notes “Black as ink” describes this wine as it comes out of the fermenter. This Merlot is rich and powerful with a solid core of fruit and firm tannins. Flavors of plum, raspberry, currant and dark chocolate offer an incredible sweetness upon entry, while layers of vanilla and spice from the oak lengthen the finish.