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## 2009 Syrah, *Tous les Jours*



Starting in early 1999, I scoured the Central Coast for soils and climates that I thought would best suit this immensely drinkable wine and built relationships with growers that are paying dividends today with constantly improved harvests. I wanted sun-drenched, rocky, well-drained, low-vigor soils. I found several exciting vineyards in the Santa Ynez Valley and up in the Paso Robles area. I am so excited about this wine, that I named it “Tous les Jours” (or “Everyday” to us Americans) to signify the immense drinkability of the wine. We also priced the wine with this in mind as well. We designed this wine from the beginning to be an absolutely delicious bottle of Syrah, at an affordable price. So “Expect MORE, but Pay less!!” I purchased grapes from very high-quality growers, and once we had the grapes, we gave them the same attention to detail as the rest of our single vineyard wines. We fermented the grapes in a mix of open-top bins (with frequent punchdowns for extraction and color) and closed tanks with frequent pumpovers. We then aged the various wines for 22 months in a mix of neutral and new French oak barriques. It is highly drinkable right now, however, it will reward the patient few with another couple years of ageing. This is a perennial “Best Buy,” garnering consistently high praise from both the Wine Spectator and the Wine Advocate. It was even named as the

Best American Syrah under \$20.00 in Food and Wine Magazine in 2007. Cheers!!

**Varieties:** 100% Hillside Grown Syrah **Appellation:** Central Coast

**Production:** 2200 12bottle X 750 mL Cases

**Release Date:** January 2012

**Recent Reviews:** 2009 Vintage not yet reviewed. Showing reviews for the 2008 vintage.

### **91 Points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate Issue 196 August 2011**

*The 2008 Syrah Tous les Jours is a stunning bottle of wine for the money. It is a decidedly flashy, extroverted Syrah loaded with blue and black fruits, licorice and tar, all of which come together in a fat, forward style. Smoke, tar and French oak linger on the finish. This is a superb, entry-level Syrah from Andrew Murray. Anticipated maturity: 2011-2014*

### **90 Points Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar November/December 2011**

*Bright ruby. Cherry and dark berry preserves on the nose, with complicating notes of licorice and olive tapenade. Lively, taut cherry and blackberry flavors stain the palate, showing very good clarity and zesty minerality that builds with air. Finishes with strong cut and sweet persistence. **This is an outstanding value. 90***

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