

2011 Écluse “Improv”

80% Zinfandel, 20% Petite Sirah

Tasting Notes:

Our “Improv” continues to be one of our most exciting blends! Our 2011 Improv is a wonderfully eclectic blend of Zinfandel and Petite Sirah. This improvisational blend begins with aromas of crushed raspberries and buttered toffee. It excites the palate with layers of dark berries, smoke and spice with hints of caramel and toasted hazelnuts. Beautifully balanced with a long, lingering finish that just keeps on going!

Only 250 cases of this phenomenal wine were produced!

About Écluse Wines:

Écluse Wines may not be familiar to you yet, but stand by! As the home of the San Francisco Chronicles Sweepstakes winning Best Red Wine, we at Écluse are dedicated to producing limited production, handcrafted, award-winning wines from our very own Lock Vineyard. Nestled in the gently rolling hillside terroir on the desired Westside of the Paso Robles AVA, we feature Bordeaux and Rhone style wines, as well as our fabulous Zinfandel. Our wines are often described as silky, lush, smooth and approachable when first released, becoming even more complex and elegant as they age!

A question almost always asked of us is about our name, Écluse. The explanation is simple – Écluse is French for the locks on the canals that gently carve their way through the remarkable French wine country – since our last name is Lock, the name Écluse for our wines was born.

Our philosophy from the beginning is that great fruit makes great wine. Having our own small winery onsite gives us the added benefit of picking and crushing small lots throughout the vineyard when the fruit has reached its peak flavors. Having the control from the vineyard to the bottle insures that Écluse will remain the truly remarkable wine that it is today!

We invite you to “Savor the Wine that is truly Écluse!”

Cheers!
Steve & Pam Lock
Proprietors

