

# 2009 Écluse Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve

*Lock Vineyard*

## ***Tasting Notes:***

When blending our 2009 Cabernet Sauvignon, we found four fabulous stand out barrels of our Lock Vineyard Cab that tasted so exceptionally well, we knew we had a special wine. The decision was made to hold these special barrels over for another year to see if this wine deserved to be our second vintage of our Écluse Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve and it did! This wine was barrel aged for 30 months, creating an elegantly complex wine that is perfectly balanced with luscious flavors that march through to a long lingering finish. The classic deep garnet color and inviting nose leads you to a bold velvety richness that is highlighted by dense dark fruit and hints of chocolate. This wonderful wine can only be described as soft and voluptuous. It's velvet in a bottle!!!

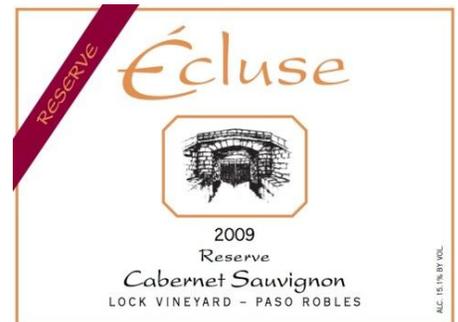
*Only 100 cases of this elegant wine were produced!*

## ***Awards & Accolades:***

*GOLD Medal - San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition*

*GOLD Medal - 4 hearts, "Love at first sip!" - Cab Shootout, Affairs of the Vine*

*92 Points - Wine Enthusiast*



## ***About Écluse Wines:***

Écluse Wines may not be familiar to you yet, but stand by! As the home of the San Francisco Chronicle's 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

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