

Kuleto

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In Full Stride

In rows across the mountainside grapevines have fallen dormant. They stand unclad of its foliage, stark beneath the brash winter's light. With a firm hold on the slanted ground, the trunks that hold these complex systems of intertwining vegetation will soon be rid of the spindly vines from last year. Crews are pruning the remnants of the 2008 vintage and now it's time to look toward the future. The architects of our vineyards create the framework for the upcoming year's grape crop. Artfully using their sheers, our talented Kuleto Estate vineyard prunes the vines, cutting away almost all of last year's growth. This meticulous preparation renews our vineyards, while encouraging each grapevine in the right direction.

As kingfish, you all know the direction to Kuleto Estate...it's a winding road straight up. Well, we like to think that we also are on the road straight up, winding as it may be. In 2008, we are proud to boast 4 wines scoring 91 or higher in the Wine Spectator: the **2004 Cabernet Sauvignon**, **2004 India Ink Cab**; **2004 Villa Vista Cab**; and the **2004 Danielli Cab**. With a great deal of momentum, and in spite of a blustering economic climate, we head into 2009 in full stride.

The winter wine shipment is the **2007 Kuleto Estate Zinfandel** and the **2006 Syrah**. The Kuleto Zin is a speak softly but carry a big stick kind of wine. It's the strong and silent type; nothing to prove here. The Syrah is dark. Mysterious. Its bold flavors pack a punch. It's the baddest on the block. We hope you enjoy getting acquainted with these colorful characters.



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