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Syrah Head Honcho

BARREL 27

Central Coast, California 

VINTAGE:	2005
COMPOSITION:	Syrah
TYPE:	Red

WINEMAKER'S NOTES:

Barrel 27 releases its first reserve Syrah, the "Head Honcho"! A selection of a few of the very best barrels from Barrel 27's Central Coast Syrah with some small syrah lots from McPrice Myers Wine Co and Herman Story Wines blended together. This is one kick-butt Syrah! So inky purple-black that it actually sucks light in and swallows it, the wine offers up an incredibly complex nose, saturated with black plum skin, blood orange, black currant, sweet raspberries-and-cream fruit scents, wrapped in spice notes of fresh Tellicherry peppercorns, smoked bacon fat, lavender, rose petal and baking chocolate. The palate is a kaleidoscope of shifting flavors, at first raspberry with a touch of mint, then red plums and black pepper, then cassis and tar and the flavors continue to change and evolve as the wine opens up. It is weighty in the mouth, with a great mid-palate breadth, copious amounts of super-fine tannins and enough acidity to lift the wine and give it a long finish, soaked in black cherry and brown spices. One of the outstanding Syrahs in the Central Coast's epic 2005 vintage. Treat yourself to something to special, and let your wallet live to talk about it!

