

Fratelli Perata Winery

2007 Charbono, Estate

An inaugural release of a wine Gino and Carol enjoyed in their earliest days as a young married couple. We were fortunate to visit Inglenook Winery in its glory days of 1972. The '68's and '70's were available and were great vintages. Among their wines was a Charbono. As someone with an affinity to Pinot Noir, this wine struck Carol as a flavorful, drinkable wine. As an Italian, Gino was reminded of his visit with his grandfather in Northern Italy, and the Dolcetto he made there. Charbono is lower alcohol, fruity with cherry and plum, beautiful color and a food-lover's best companion. We were fortunate to plant this here in Paso Robles, where, it seems to be doing quite well. A rare wine, drink now or age. Choose your favorite meal or try Joanne's Mushroom Spinach Pasta

Harvested October 11, 2007

Brix 21.8 pH 3.5

Fermented 10 days, open top fermenter, great aromas while hand punching the cap

Pressed to 1 French oak, balance neutral oak barrels

Alcohol 12%, drink up
Bottled August 15, 2009
Production 92 cases, first vintage