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### 2003 Alisos Vineyards syrah

**VARIETAL(S):** 100% syrah

**APPELLATION:** 100% Santa Barbara County

**VINEYARD(S):** 100% Alisos Vineyards

**BRIX AT HARVEST:** 25.7°

**PH:** 3.76

**TA:** 5.84 g/L

**ALCOHOL:** 14.8%

**COOPERAGE:** 30% new oak, French & American, barrel aged for 10 months

**FERMENTATION:** 100% destemmed, with as many whole berries as possible, into 1-ton open top fermentors, punched down by hand 2-3 times per day. Pressed at dryness, settled, then racked to barrel. The yeasts used were commercial strains including BM-45 (Brunello) and D-254 (Rhone).

**PRODUCTION:** 250 cases

**RECOMMENDED RETAIL:** \$35.00

**WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS:** This vineyard is located in between the Santa Maria and Santa Ynez appellations, on a very exposed hilltop. The vines harvested for this wine are young, but planted in a very unique spot on the site, giving them quite a bit of character for their age.

**TASTING NOTES:** Dark fruits and black licorice on the nose, along with a bit of black pepper and smoke. The palate is elegant, with black cherry fruit and a varietal spicy, gamey character. Long finish with good acidity and moderate tannins.