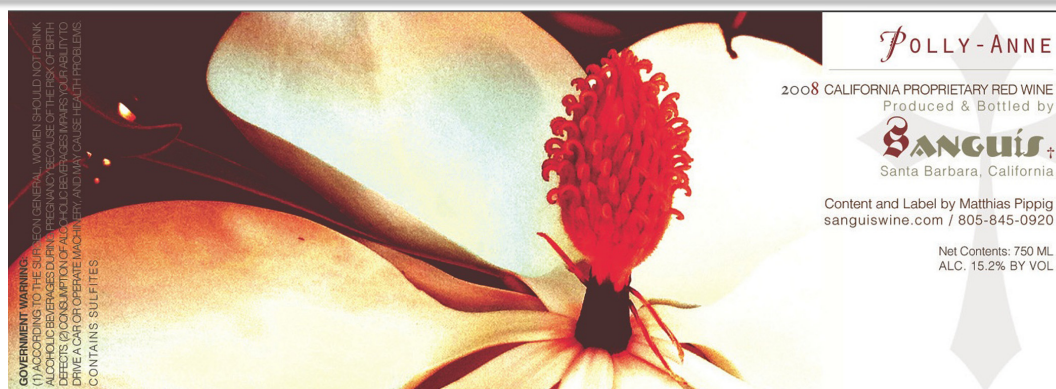


## 2008 POLLY ANNE, PROPRIETARY RED WINE



### WINEMAKER NOTES

After 2007 – ‘the vintage of a century’ - 2008 may be in a somewhat unfortunate competitive position. Ultimately, though, I love 2008. The wines are generally more ‘showy’ at an early age, possess very distinctive, and friendly personalities and currently display a lot of forward power *and* finesse, and aromatics that simply jump from the glass.

From all the songs about him, it seems that John Henry’s real driver was the woman (Polly Anne ) who ultimately had more strength than he did and finished the job on the railroad after he’d worked himself to death. Grenache, which is decidedly feminine in its primary qualities too often seems to take the backseat the big brother, Syrah, in comparative strength assessments – I disagree!

### WINE STATISTICS

Varietals	Grenache 72% (clones A2 & Tablas), Syrah 26%, Viognier 2%
Vineyards	Watch Hill 53%, Thompson 45%, Bien Nacido 2%
Harvest Dates	October 24 – 27, 2008
Yields	1.65 – 1.8 tons/acre, 2.2 – 2.5 lbs/vine
Brix (at harvest)	25.6 - 26.7
Alcohol	15.7%
pH	3.59 – 3.68/3.78 (at harvest/final)
Barrels / Coopers	70% new / 30% seasoned, 300 & 400 L French
Barrel Aging	32 months
Rackings	2 (including blend assembly)
Filtering / Fining	None
Blend Assembled	January 2011
Bottling scheduled for	August 2011
Production	220 six-pack cases / 110 9L cases
Release Date	October 2011
SRP	\$70

### Stehen Tanzer’s IWC

Inky purple. High-pitched aromas of boysenberry, black raspberry, potpourri and incense. Exotic and deep in red and dark berry compote and candied licorice flavors, showing a velvety texture and impressive energy. The floral note gains strength with air and carries through a very long, sweet, intensely floral finish. 93

### Wine Enthusiast

It’s a massively rich, dense wine, erupting in raspberry and cherry pie filling, cassis, blackberry liqueur, sandalwood and spice flavors. A real crowd pleaser, forward and Dramatic. 92