

# Annual Newsletter February 2011

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### We specialize in bulk fruit ingredients.

Examples of our products appear on pages 1 & 2.

Our comments and graphs representing the CONCORD INDUSTRY appear on pages 3 and 4.

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**Subscription free** 

CONCORD GRAPE
ESSENCE
US / Brazilian
Standard / OU
Organic
Blend with Red/White
concentrates

### **INTRODUCING NEWLY DEVELOPED GRAPE COLORS**

### DRY RED 40,000 COLOR

- 100% Natural powdered color
- Extracted from whole California grapes
- Rated at 40,000 46,000 color
- Non-Hygroscopic / Water Soluble
- 3 year shelf life / Dry storage
- Particle size 100% through 60 mesh

### 3 MORE

Packed as 68 brix concentrates

Magenta Shade • Red Shade • Red Berry Shade

Grape

Grape

Elderberry

(14,000-20,000 color)

(14,000-20,000 color)

(6,000-12,000 color)

# 60-68 BRIX 4000 & 8000 COLOR GRAPE JUICE CONCENTRATES Purple or Red

All above are: • Products of US

- OU Kosher / Some Passover
- Available East & West coasts

### **EXOTIC JUICES, PUREES & CONCENTRATES**

ACAI / BOROJO / MANGOSTEEN / NONI / COCONUT WATER / MAQUI BERRY



### ADDITIONAL PRODUCTS AVAILABLE

### NEW OPPORTUNITY

# APPLE JUICE CONCENTRATE FROM BRAZIL

HACCP / FPA SAFE FRUIT CONCENTRATE PROCESSOR

**RETOOLED TO PRODUCE 70° AJC** 

**FIRST EXPORTS MARCH 2011** 

**ESTIMATE 1.5-2.5 ACID** 

**EXCLUSIVE AGREEMENT POSSIBLE** 

# Available as juices, purees, concentrates or fresh or frozen fruits.

Acerola, Apple Apricot, Banana Cherry

- Sour / Sweet
Coconut Water
Grapefruit, Guava
Honeydew, Kiwi
Lemon, Lime, Mango
Orange, Papaya
Passionfruit
Peach, Pear
Pineapple, Plum,
Prune

Acai, Aronia
Blackberry
-Evergreen/Marion
Blueberry
Boysenberry
Cranberry
Currant
- black/red
Elderberry
Loganberry
Maqui Berry
Raspberry
- black/red

### AJC

S. America
US, Europe & Chinese

#### **NFC**

Domestic

Apple Juice in tankers
or drums - OU Kosher

### RED & WHITE GRAPE CONCENTRATES

Domestic South American

- Standard
- Organic
- Kosher
- Deionized

# VARIETAL GRAPE JUICES & CONCENTRATES

Full line - Eastern & Western

N. America / Imported
HAND PICKED GRAPES

Washington

### **CRANBERRIES**

Bulk juice stock / IQF / Puree
Dried & Sweetened / Single
Strength NFC juice in
tankers, drums or totes
50 brix juice concentrate

## NFC (NOT FROM CONCENTRATE) SINGLE STRENGTH JUICES

Apple / Citrus / Prune / Cranberry

Most Grape & Berry Varieties

### Polyethylene Lugs - a sideline

Field / Harvest



Storage / Freezer Safe Various sizes available Stack / Nest Printed lugs an option We quote delivered

Contact Sue - sue@herb-barber-sons.com

### **STRAWBERRIES**

IQF Whole / Sliced / Diced
4+1, 27+1 sliced / whole - S/P whole capped
S/P, 4+1 puree (w or w/o seeds)
S/P chunky puree w/seeds
Organic puree w or w/o seeds

### **OVERSTOCK PRODUCTS**

We may be able to help find markets for your bulk surplus products.

Contact us with details



### Report on the Concord Market

### **US CONCORDS**

The 2010 Concord crop harvested in the US totaled 373,090 tons, 6% less than in 2009 and 10% below the previous 10 year average. See chart I.

NY/PA/OH - In spite of serious spring frost losses in the Eastern end of the Lake Erie belt, the crop exceeded 09 by 30%. An ideal growing season, with an early harvest, resulted in developing above average fruiting buds for the 2011 crop and well cured out wood before winter set in. Prospects for the 2011 crop are above average.

Michigan – Several spring frost nights reduced the crop by about 60% from 09. As in NY/PA/OH a very good growing season will result in above average fruiting buds in 2011. Prospects for the 2011 crop are now above average.

Washington - An unusually poor growing season in the Yakima Valley reduced the crop by about 21% from 09. A late harvest left fruiting wood vulnerable to winter damage which occurred in late November when well below 0° temperatures caused serious bud loss in a wide portion of the area

vineyards. Prospects for 2011 are below average.

GRAPE PRICES - See chart 2.

Eastern growers selling to cash processors received an average of \$247/ton up 7% from 09. Washington growers averaged \$208/ton up 8%. The figures are based on 16.0° brix. Differentials in prices are paid above and below 16.

## CONCENTRATE PRICES & MARKET - See chart 3

There was very low carryover going into the harvest. Opening per gallon prices were the highest we've observed in our 29 year history and all concentrate processors sold out fast. Very little 68 brix is now available and prices have advanced.

If you overbooked and want to sell a load or two, please let us know. We could find you a nice profit.

### INTERNATIONAL CONCORDS

BRAZIL is now in the 2011 crush. Estimates are for a crop of about average size. We'll know by March how big it was.

<u>CHILE</u> - The small quantity produced there will find a ready export market. Call us about it.

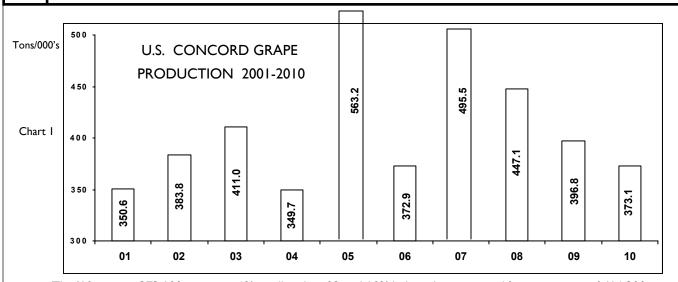
### DID YOU KNOW?

Concord grapes of the native American Labrusca family are commercially grown in only 3 areas of the US; all in moderate latitudes with 4 distinct seasons; spring, summer, fall and winter. To thrive, they require a 180 day frost free growing season and about 40 days of below freezing winter weather. These factors eliminate most of the country too cold - too hot, etc. Concords, the most hardy of grape varieties, are sensitive to winter damage if severely below zero, spring frosts and hail, poor pollination, out of balance heat units, excessive rain and fall freezes.

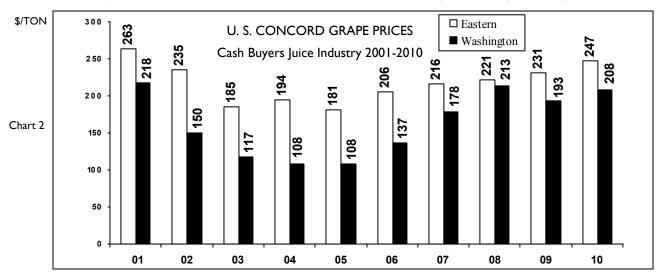
Time will tell; each year is different.



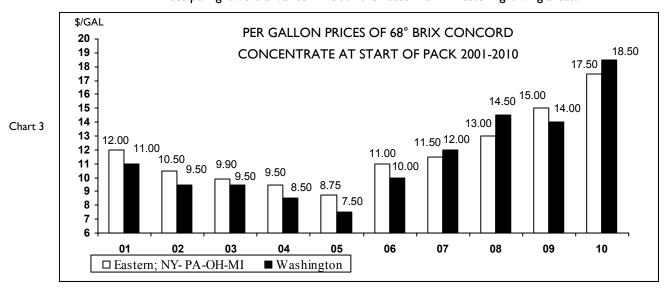
### The following charts highlight the '10 Concord crop and history of the industrial market.



The '10 crop at 373,100 tons was 6% smaller than 09 and 10% below the previous 10 year average of 416,200 tons.



Prices paid growers advanced in both the Eastern and Western growing areas.



Pricing for truckloads of drums opened at the highest level in history but demand exceeds supply.