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VINEYARDS

NAPA VALLEY



2013 Rutherford Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

The Rutherford winegrowing region has long been the source for some of the Napa Valley's most storied Cabernets, and for many years, this coveted fruit has played an important role in our Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon. Building on our experience with these exceptional grapes, this wine captures the essence of Rutherford Cabernet Sauvignon, from its lovely layers of blackberry, cassis and tobacco to the dusty minerality that has come to define the legendary wines from this appellation.

2013 Harvest Notes

The 2013 harvest was early, even and excellent with all of our Estate fruit in the winery by October 10th. A warm dry spring brought an early bud break and created ideal conditions for flowering and fruit set. In the weeks after Labor Day, a moderate heat event followed by a period of perfect weather created a dream scenario for end-of-season ripening. Rain was not a factor, and for the second vintage in a row, the quality of the grapes was exceptional throughout Napa Valley.

Comments from the Winemaker

This beautifully rustic expression of Cabernet Sauvignon displays lovely fruit aromas of blueberry and damson plum, as well as more savory notes of walnut and sage. On the palate, classically dusty Rutherford tannins act as a counterpoint to jammy blackberry and Bing cherry flavors, with hints of mocha and cranberry compote adding to long, delicious finish.

Varietal Content

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Harvest Information

Appellation: Rutherford, Napa Valley

Harvest Dates: October 17-18, 2013

Average Sugar at Harvest: 25.9° Brix

2 Vineyards Harvested

Cooperage

100% French Oak Château-style Barrels (60 Gallons)

Barrel Aging: 16 Months

Age of Barrels: 50% new, 50% neutral

Production/Technical Data

Alcohol: 14.5%

0.53 g/100 ml titratable acidity

10-12 days fermentation at 82°F

pH: 3.81

Bottled: May 2015

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