

oakville ranch napa valley 2004 cabernet sauvignon

the fruit-friendly core of cherry, cassis, and blackberry is encouraged by the integrated but subtle oak nuance. the richness of structure is evident in the palate weight and suppleness that lifts the perfectly-ripe flavors and spice nose. a worthy cellar resident.

listen...savor...and enjoy...

Amy Winehouse, "Rehab" Mary Miner, Owner

Van Morrison, "Into the Mystic" Ashley Heisey, Winemaker

Joe Jackson, "You Can't Get What You Want..." Paula Kornell, General Manager

appellation	100% napa valley, oakville district 100% oakville ranch: 84% vista, 9% terrace & 7% plateau blocks
varietal	100% cabernet sauvignon
harvest date	september 12, 2004
fermentation	20 days on the skins
barrel aging	18 months in 100% french barrels, 67% new
racking	quarterly
bottling date	april 4, 2006
analysis	14.2% Alcohol 3.60 pH 0.57 TA
production	725 cases, plus 8 cases of magnums

located on a sloping plateau that rises to 1,400 feet above the silverado trail on the east side of the napa valley, oakville ranch was one of the oakville appellation's pioneering vineyards. since then, several other highly regarded and prestigious wineries have become neighbors, drawn to this hillside for its powerful, signature-red volcanic soils. In 1989, when Bob and Mary Miner purchased the 350-acre ranch, 55 acres of vineyards were planted to chardonnay and bordeaux varietals – cabernet sauvignon, merlot, cabernet franc.

through the years, the vineyards have been meticulously tended. additional small vineyards enclaves have been developed as certain sites have revealed their promise. The shallow and miserly rocky soils slowly release their spartan nutrients, naturally limiting the grape crop to an intense few bunches per vine.

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