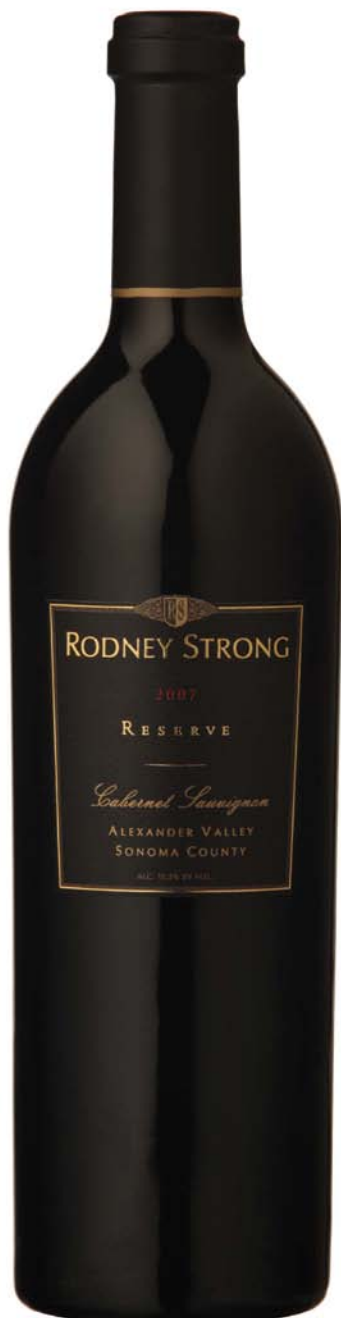




RODNEY STRONG VINEYARDS



Place Matters
Sonoma County, California

2007 CABERNET SAUVIGNON RESERVE ALEXANDER VALLEY

WINEMAKERS	Rick Sayre, Tom Klein (vintner), David Ramey (consultant)
WINE GROWERS	Doug McIlroy, Bob Steinhauer (consultant)
ALCOHOL	14.9%
TA	0.62gm/100ml
PH	3.62
APPELLATION	Alexander Valley
BLEND	100% cabernet sauvignon
CELLAR & FERMENTATION	20 months in 100% French oak barrels

PHILOSOPHY

Visitors to the winery often ask what "Reserve" cabernet means to us. It's simple. Reserve is the winemaker's careful blend of individual wines made from time tested, meticulously farmed sections of some of the very best vineyards in Alexander Valley. Select areas within each vineyard are hand harvested individually, fermented separately, and aged in the finest French oak barrels. After about six months, each lot is tasted and graded, and only the highest graded wines that display depth, concentration, and age worthiness are considered for Reserve cabernet. The blend is then assembled, and the wine is returned to barrels to facilitate flavor integration. The wine is aged an additional 12 to 18 months, depending on the vintage, before bottling.

IN THE CELLAR

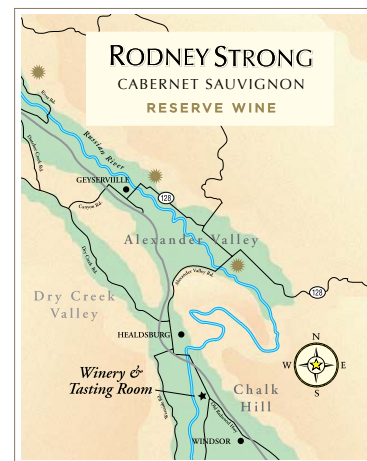
Our 2007 Reserve cabernet was created in our small lot winemaking facility, the "Winery Within the Winery." Under the direction of consulting winemaker David Ramey, we employ cutting edge techniques such as cluster pre-sorting, berry sorting, and extended maceration. With small tanks and equipment sized for the most discriminating vineyard selection process, our new facility is truly state of the art, and represents the Klein family commitment towards producing the finest wines possible.

IN THE VINEYARD

The 2007 vintage started off with a very dry spring, which tended to make for smaller clusters, smaller berries, and less canopy overall. The growing season was about as perfect as any winegrower would want, with warm afternoons and cool evenings, and a complete lack of hot or cold spells. With no weather problems at harvest time, few are surprised with the exceptional quality of this vintage, which will likely go down as one of the best in recent years.

TASTING NOTES

Full bodied and richly textured, this cabernet displays intense aromas and flavors of black currant, sandalwood, white pepper, and cocoa, with a smooth, lingering finish. If you have access to a cool dark place, lay some bottles of this Reserve down for up to a decade and patience will reward you.



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