



2001 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve

- Vintage:** The 2001 vintage was an outstanding harvest. Erratic springtime weather before and during bloom resulted in below average yields. Moderate temperatures throughout the summer allowed for excellent flavor development and fully mature fruit. The wines from this vintage have intense aromas, rich flavors, and beautiful tannin structure.
- Vineyard:** The Truchard Estate Vineyard is located in the Carneros region of the Napa Valley. It is 380 acres of hills and valleys, which contain a variety of soils: clay, shale, sandstone, limestone, volcanic ash and rock. The combination of terrain, geology, and marine-moderated temperatures, provides “micro-climates” well suited for wine-growing. Cabernet Sauvignon is planted in various sites - on steep, southwest-facing hillsides. The vines range from 11 to 27 years old, and produce wines that are deep in color, dominated by lush flavors of plum, berry, and spice. **Cabernet Sauvignon is the only wine produced by Truchard Vineyards with a “reserve” designation. It is a very limited bottling that is a tribute to the quality of this unique vineyard.**
- Harvest:** October 9 - 15 • 24.7 °Brix • 3.50 pH • 6.8 g/L TA
- Winemaking:** All of the fruit was gently destemmed and crushed, then inoculated with Pasteur Red yeast. Each fermentation was pumped-over twice daily, with the temperature peaking at 88° F. The lots were pressed after 28 days of maceration. The wine was aged for 20 months in French oak (75% new). Racking occurred every 4 months until bottling in August of 2003. **This wine is 100% Cabernet Sauvignon.** It is drinkable upon release, but will continue to evolve with careful cellaring for the next 15 – 20 years.
- Wine Analysis:** 14.2% alcohol • 3.61 pH • 6.0 g/l TA
- Tasting Notes:** Intense aromas of black cherry, cassis, and blueberry; with hints of cedar and cocoa. The mouth is layered with jammy flavors of plum, blackberry, and sweet vanilla. Chewy tannins lift the palate and provide an opulent finish of berry and spice.
- Release Date:** January 1, 2006
Cases Produced: 344 cases
Bottle Price: \$75.00