



Truchard Vineyards

2004 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve

- Vintage:** The 2004 vintage was nearly identical to the exceptional 2003 harvest. A dry spring with unusually high temperatures affected berry set and reduced yields by about 15%. Warmer summer temperatures easily ripened the small crop and led to an early harvest. 2004 produced big, powerful wines with rich aromas, ripe flavors, and excellent 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 conditions well suited for wine-growing. Cabernet Sauvignon is planted in various sites - on steep, southwest-facing hillsides. The vines range from 12 to 28 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 12 - 29 • 24.6 ° Brix • 3.57 pH • 6.7 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 2006. **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 • 6.70 g/L TA
- Tasting Notes:** A complex nose of plum, cassis, and blueberry; with hints of cedar and cocoa. The mouth is rich - layered with flavors of blackberry jam, black cherry, and sweet vanilla. Dusty tannins lift the palate and provide an elegant finish of berry and spice.
- Release Date:** September 1, 2008
Cases Produced: 125 cases
Bottle Price: \$75.00