



RUTHERFORD *Ranch*

2006

MERLOT
NAPA VALLEY

NAPA VALLEY'S *Best Value*

THE WINE

Our 2006 vintage has lush, bright flavors of Bing cherry, plum and raspberry with fragrant aromas of vanilla and nutmeg. It is medium bodied with soft tannins and a long, satisfying finish.

FOOD PAIRINGS

This wine complements anything from the grill as well as roast lamb or prime rib. It is also a wonderful accompaniment to roasted duck or wild game.

AGING

15 months in French and American oak.

TECHNICAL

Total Acid/pH: 0.58 / 3.68

Alcohol: 13.5%



WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Nature provided spectacular conditions for one of the shortest growing seasons in almost twenty years. September arrived with its usual heat and harvest went into full swing, producing the third largest yield in Napa's history.

BLEND

91% Merlot, 5% Zinfandel, 3% Cabernet Sauvignon and 1% Syrah.

GRAPE SOURCE

Select vineyards throughout the Napa Valley

RELEASE DATE

September 2008

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