



2004 Rubissow Cabernet Sauvignon

APPELLATION

100% Mt. Veeder, Napa Valley - Rubissow Vineyards.

PRODUCTION

12/750 ml - 587 cases

BLEND

Cabernet Sauvignon 85%

Merlot 13%

Cabernet Franc 2%

WINEMAKER NOTES

NOSE: Lovely notes of violet, orchid, menthol, cassis, redcurrant, pencil lead and sweet, toasted oak.

TASTE: Powerful attack of up front fruit. Complex, rich flavors of plum, cedar, spice, cocoa, earth, blackberry. Very long, round finish.

TECHNIQUE: Hand sorted fruit, fruit destemmed and berries barely broken, 5 day cold soak, wild and inoculated fermentations, all small lot open top fermentors, hand punch downs and pumpovers two to three times daily, malolactic completed in barrel, minimal handling, bottled UNFINED and UNFILTERED.

HARVEST DATES

October 21-30, 2004

FERMENTATION

24-35 days before pressing

BARREL AGING

20 months in artisan French oak cooperage

ALCOHOL BY VOL

14.5%

WINEMAKER

Timothy Milos

Accolades

“The attractive brace from the newly reconstituted Rubissow winery shows off the great potential of the family’s Mount Veeder property. This one...is bound to enjoy plenty of attention for its cassis and black cherry fruit liberally laced with lashings of creamy oak. Its ample tannins guarantee years of improvement, but it will drink well even now.”

91 POINTS

CONNOISSEUR’S GUIDE TO CALIFORNIA WINE - April 2008 issue

“Lush, smooth textured, dense and ripe with lovely plum and black raspberry fruit; rich, long and juicy; stylish and classy.”

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ANTHONY DIAS BLUE - Blue Reviews - February 2008

“Shows of ripe, vivid black cherry, currant and wild berry flavors that are tight and focused, with a long, rich, detailed finish that keeps the fruit at the forefront. Decant. Best from 2009 through 2014. 587 cases made.” –JL

WINE SPECTATOR - April 2008

“Tremendously concentrated, a powerful wine that erupts with blackberry, currant, cocoa, licorice, cola, caramel and vanilla flavors.”

WINE ENTHUSIAST - May 2008