



Jeff Runquist Wines

2007 “R” CABERNET SAUVIGNON, Rancho Sarco, Napa Valley



The Rancho Sarco Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon comes from a tiny little vineyard north of the town of Napa and east of the Silverado Trail. It's proximity to the Stag's Leap District appealed to me because, of all the Napa appellations, Stag's Leap is renown for its silky tannins. This is important as I do not want to produce a monster Napa Cabernet Sauvignon that requires years to “mature”. We are very gentle with the grapes; we mix the cap by hand and never pump the must. The density of the wine merits twenty-four months of aging in small French Oak barrels which allows for the full and complete development of the wine's flavor and bouquet.

The 2007 Rancho Sarco Cabernet Sauvignon has a deep purple violet color. A low pH gives the color a hue that is youthful and bright. The aromas of cassis, blackberries, and briary blueberries are complimented by a bouquet of smoke, flint, and tobacco.

On the palate, there are full flavors of ripe black fruits, with enough acid to keep the flavors fresh. Notes of toasty oak and a chalky dustiness, typical of Napa Valley Cabernet, round out the flavors. The tannins are soft and full and contribute richness to the wine's texture without adding astringency.

Varietal Composition: 100 % Cabernet Sauvignon

14.5% Alc. 0.75g/100ml TA 3.45 pH

Oak Regime: 100% French Oak

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Producers of Vineyard Designated Red Table Wines