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Cabernet Sauvignon

2009 | Monte Rosso Cabernet Monte Rosso Vineyard

Blagden is a small producer of Vineyard Designate Pinot Noirs and Chardonnays from the Petaluma Gap and Sonoma Coast and some years a Cabernet from Monte Rosso or a Napa Cabernet. Annual production is usually less than 500 cases and most lot sizes are no bigger than 200 cases. Not all grapes make it into the Blagden production as Catherine Blagden chooses only the best barrels for each vineyard designate blend, assuring the best quality wine from that vineyard. Catherine has an M.S. from UC Davis and has been making wine since 2003.

Appellation

Moon Mountain

Tasting notes

Reddish-plum in color, the nose shows spicy-sweet and dark fruits while the palate exhibits lush, rich blueberries and black-raspberries with underlying Asian spices. This sweet and elegant wine has a long and mouthwatering finish.

Balanced and complex, this wine is drinkable now, but should age nicely for another 10 or more years.

Vineyard notes

The famed Monte Rosso Vineyard's 250 acres are located 1300' above sea level on the southwest side of the Mayacamas Range. The vineyard historically produces wines with high acid, due to the volcanic influence and the minerally Red Hill Loam soil.



Inoculated with MT yeast and EnoFerm Alpha for malolactic fermentation

Clone: No clone, Monte Rosso field blend

Root stock: 110R

Oak: 100% French, 75% new. 21 months in barrel

Harvested: 10/24/09

Bottled: 7/25/11

Produced: 100 cases

Finished wine pH: 3.62 TA: 5.9 g/L

Alcohol: 13.9%

