# blagden



# 2006 | Monte Rosso Cabernet

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. Blagden's 2013 Sangiacomo Pinot Noir won the 11th Annual International Women's Wine Making Competition which was announced in June 2018.

#### **Appellation**

Moon Mountain

# **Tasting notes**

A deep reddish-purple in color, this wine shows mocha, tasted almond, dried tobacco and blueberries on the nose. These give way to cigar box, chestnuts, leather, earth and a slight jasmione note on the palate with soft, elegant tannins, nice acid and a long finish. This wine is a stylish and easy drinking Cabernet Sauvignon.

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 and CSM yeast and a native malolactic fermentation

#### Clone:

No clone, Monte Rosso field selection

#### Root stock:

110R

#### Oak:

100% French, 60% new.

#### Harvested:

10/27/06

# Bottled:

2/14/08

# Produced:

280 cases

## Released:

Spring 2010

## Finished wine

pH: 3.58

TA: 6.5 g/L

Alcohol: 14.8%

