

Family Vineyards  Three Generations

RUTHERFORD *Ranch*

NAPA VALLEY

2009
MERLOT
NAPA VALLEY



The 2009 vintage for Napa wines was long and mild. The winter was relatively dry followed by a cool spring. The foggy summer months led to early Fall rains. A relatively small harvest of high quality fruit with concentrated color and flavors, good acidity and balance.

A wonderful pairing with roast beef, grilled chicken or pork chops and hearty pasta dishes. Also complements your favorite cheese platter.

WINE DESCRIPTION

AROMAS: Rich, juicy cherry, violets and vanilla.

FLAVORS: Delicious flavors of cranberry, red cherry, blueberry. Well-balanced with firm acidity, elegant tannins over a medium finish with hints of barrel spice.

TOTAL ACID/PH: .65/3.30

BLEND: 91% merlot, 6% Syrah, 3% Cabernet Sauvignon

AGING: 1 year in French and American oak barrels

ALCOHOL: 13.5%



 **RUTHERFORD
WINE COMPANY**

Three generations committed to 100% sustainable viticulture and the crafting of fine wines.

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