



DEL BONDIO

2003 RUTHERFORD CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Del Bondio Wine Company's 31 acre Cabernet Sauvignon vineyard - Bella Oaks Vineyard on Bella Oaks Lane - is in the very heart of the Rutherford appellation. The perfectly ripened fruit was hand-picked in the cool of the morning, after which the fruit was sorted, crushed and cold soaked to allow the skins to soften and release their color and flavor components. The fermentation process lasted fifteen days. The grapes were pressed, allowed to settle for two days, and then placed in aged oak barrels consisting of 60% French oak and 40% American oak.



Tasting Notes

This wine has a beautiful, rich, intense, garnet color, with aromas of boysenberries, dark cherries, violets, anise, and a touch of cedar. As the wine touches the front palate, it has an intense sensation of blackberries and dark cherries, black currant, and anise.

On the mid-palate, there are hints of cinnamon and black pepper, more of the berry and cherry fruit, along with dark bittersweet cocoa. It finished smoothly with lingering berry and a touch of the renowned Rutherford Dust. The wine has balanced tannins and acidity, resulting in a very pleasant mouth feel.

This Cabernet can be enjoyed equally well as an aperitif or complimented by wonderful foods.

Alcohol: 14.1%.

ORGANICALLY GROWN GRAPES, YEAST AND SULPHUR DIOXIDE TO PRESERVE FRESHNESS.

ORGANICALLY FARM COOP CERTIFIED.