

Mauritson Wines

Rockpile Cab Sauv Rockpile Ridge V

THE FACTS

COUNTRY: USA - CA

REGION: Sonoma

APPELLATION: Rockpile

CEPAGE: 82% Cabernet Sauvignon, 13% Malbec, 3% Petit Verdot, 1% Cabernet Franc, 1% Merlot

WINEMAKING: We are committed to minimal intervention winemaking. All of our alcoholic and malolactic fermentations undergo native fermentation. This Cabernet is aged in 60% new French oak for 17 months.

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME: 14.6%

AGING: 17 months in oak barrels, 100% French

ANNUAL PRODUCTION: Approximately 730 cases produced annually

THE STORY

The Mauritson family has been growing grapes in the Dry Creek Valley since 1868 when their great-great-great grandfather first planted vines in what is now the Rockpile appellation. Clay Mauritson was determined to add winemaking to the family business and released the inaugural Mauritson Wines vintage in 1998. Today, the family still manages many acres of vineyards across Sonoma County. They produce boutique wines, using only select vineyards that truly exhibit a sense of place.

THE ADJECTIVES

OVERALL: Beautifully detailed.

AROMAS / FLAVORS: Black cherries, dried violets, loganberry, dusty iron red earth, shaved cocoa bean, woodsmoke, anise

MOUTHFEEL: Delicious, sophisticated and tailored tannin profile.

THE SELLING POINTS

AWARDS: 92pts Jeb Dunnuck, 92pts Wine Enthusiast

SUSTAINABILITY: Certified Sustainable, Minimal Intervention / Augmentation, Natural Fermentation

