



WINEMAKER: *Rob Lawson*

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2007 JOHNDROW "RESERVE" CABERNET SAUVIGNON, NAPA VALLEY

The 2007 Reserve cabernet sauvignon displays a medium to dark purple hue with a core of bright rich fruits. A rich, sweet nose of violets, cherries and brown sugar capture the elegance of cabernet. On the attack, the rich vanilla and ripe black cherries frame spices of nutmeg, cinnamon and allspice. The finish is long with moderate, full tannins that linger on the palate with dark chocolate and coffee. Touted as the "vintage of the decade" by wine critics and winemakers alike, Johndrow's 2007 wines offer approachable tannins with incredible flavor concentration and length imparted by the mild growing season. Pour and enjoy!

BLEND:	<i>100% Cabernet Sauvignon</i>
HARVEST:	<i>October 2007</i>
RELEASE:	<i>Summer 2010</i>
BARREL REGIME:	<i>24 months in French Taransaud medium+ and medium toast barrels. 50% new, 50% seasoned</i>
BOTTLED:	<i>December 12, 2009</i>
TOTAL ACIDITY:	<i>0.61 g/100 ml</i>
PH:	<i>3.88</i>
ALCOHOL:	<i>14.4%</i>
PRODUCTION:	<i>300 cases</i>
OPTIMUM DRINKING:	<i>2010-2025</i>
PRICE:	<i>\$40.00</i>

APPELLATION:	<i>Howell Mountain district of Napa Valley</i>
VINEYARD SIZE:	<i>XXXXXX</i>
VINES:	<i>#XXXXXX planted in XXXXX YEAR</i>
TOPOGRAPHY:	<i>hillside/mountainous</i>
VARIETAL:	<i>Cabernet Sauvignon</i>
CLONE:	<i>XXXXXX</i>
ROOT STOCK:	<i>XXXXXX</i>

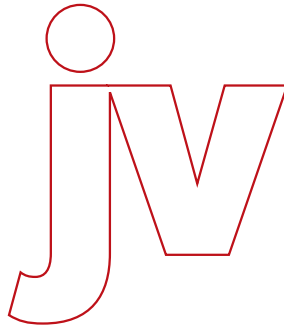


ABOUT THE VINEYARD SOURCE

Setting at an elevation of 2,100 feet high above the Napa floor Cimarossa Vineyards is a very special hillside vineyard. "Cimarossa" means 'red hill top' in Italian which aptly defines the soil that is predominately red volcanic rock and dust. Howell Mountain is home to mountain lions, black bear and some of the most incredible views in the valley. Not much can be cultivated on these steep hills besides vines and some olive trees. The vines have to struggle to set and mature their fruit the clusters are small, the berries are tiny, but the flavors are intense! By combining the characteristics of intense mountain cabernet with warmer Oakville and Yountville cabernet and the marriage of the five Bordeaux grapes that is an extracted wine that is even across the palate and aromatically intoxicating. In other words BIG!

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Whole berry processed with aggressive and frequent pumpovers during fermentation highlight the weight of the tannins. This wine was aged for 24 months in a combination of new and neutral French Oak in order to maximize the varietal characteristic, soften the tannins and integrate the best aspects of both the wine and cooperage. The blending of the five varietals captures the true marriage of each individual component to achieve the great core of this classic grape varietal combination.



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