

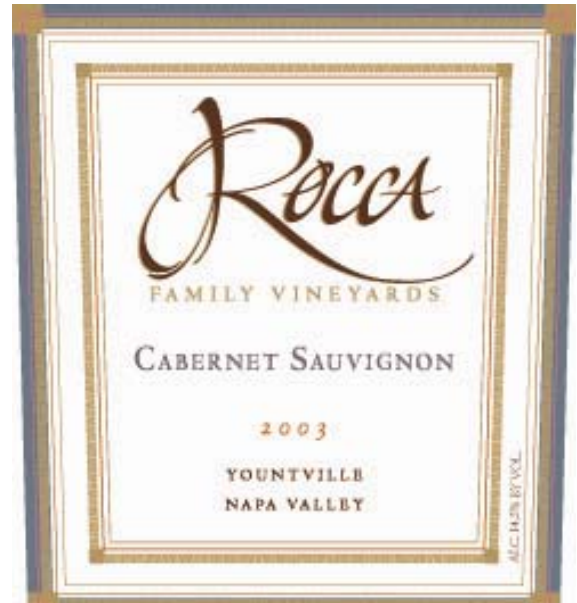


CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2003

YOUNTVILLE • NAPA VALLEY

GRIGSBY VINEYARD

The Rocca 2003 Cabernet Sauvignon was produced from 100% estate grown fruit on our 21 acre Grigsby Vineyard, located in the heart of Napa Valley, at the corner of Yountville Crossroad and the Silverado Trail. The Vineyard is located on the bench land of the Vaca Mountains. The soils are a well-drained mélange of alluvial, sedimentary and volcanic soils. The vineyard is poised between the warmer up valley climes and the cooling maritime influence of the San Francisco Bay to the south, so temperatures during the long growing season are warm enough to produce perfectly ripe and flavorful fruit and cool enough to ensure finesse and balance.



WINEMAKING

Our winemaker, **Celia Welch Masyczek**, works closely with Sergio Melgoza, our vineyard manager, as they both believe that the art of making great wine begins in the vineyard. As a team they determine the picking date more by taste than analysis. After picking the grapes at the peak of ripeness, the Cabernet Sauvignon was carefully destemmed and gently transferred into a fermentation tank, where they fermented on the skins for just over two weeks. Aged in small barrels (50% new) for about 19 months, the wine was minimally filtered just prior to bottling in May 2005. The final blend is 88% Cabernet Sauvignon and 12% Merlot from 100% estate-grown fruit.

TASTING NOTES

Our darkest, ripest, richest Cabernet offering to date, the Rocca 2003 Cabernet Sauvignon offers very dark blackberry and black raspberry aromas intermingled with dark chocolate and spicy clove which abound from this Yountville vineyard. On the palate the wine is rich, warm, and full-bodied, with a soft texture from start to finish. Mixing with the velvety texture are ripe blackberry, plum and dark cherry flavors with hints of smoke and baking spices that combine to leave a lingering impression of rich summer fruits.

Appellation:	Yountville, Napa Valley
Estate Vineyard:	Grigsby Vineyard
Ageing:	19 months in small Oak barrels (50% new)
Bottling:	May 2005
Varietals:	88% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Merlot
Alcohol:	14.5%
Release Date:	September 2006
Cases Produced:	830
Suggested Retail:	\$55.00