



2023  
HANDMADE  
CABERNET SAUVIGNON - RUTHERFORD

### VINTAGE

The winter of 2022-2023 saw record rainfall, ending years of drought conditions in Napa County. With below average temperatures in winter and spring, budbreak was significantly delayed. Continued cool weather through summer led to harvest beginning 2 weeks later than average. This gave the grapes ample time to hang on the vine which helped develop full flavors while maintaining vibrant acidity.

### VINEYARDS & WINEMAKING

In the heart of the Foley Johnson Rutherford Estate, our Cabernet Sauvignon is farmed in the famous “Rutherford Dust” that yields small, yet intense clusters from well-balanced vines. The ideal growing conditions in the vineyard allow our Bordeaux varietals to reach full maturity on the vine without taking on the green, leafy taste of under-ripe fruit. The grapes were harvested September 12, 2023. The wine went through 100% malolactic fermentation and aged for 18 months in 50% new French oak before going into bottle on August 6, 2025.

### TASTING

The 2023 Handmade Cabernet Sauvignon opens with bright, clean aromatics of red raspberry and plum coupled with lavender, violet, birch wood, brown sugar, and coffee. On the palate, sweet tannins lift layers of red fruit, black cherry, and mulberry. The wine finishes long and smooth. Pair with escargot or sea scallops.

### STATISTICS

APPELLATION	Rutherford, Napa Valley	ALCOHOL	14.9%
VINEYARD	Foley Johnson Estate	TA	6.23 g/L
COMPOSITION	88% Cabernet Sauvignon, 9% Merlot, 3% Malbec	pH	3.58
AGING	18 months in French oak, 50% new	BOTTLING DATE	August 6, 2025
		PRODUCTION	399 cases

