



Long Meadow Ranch Winery

2008 CABERNET SAUVIGNON NAPA VALLEY

- Growing Season:** The 2008 harvest was a year of extremes. We entered the season with a 30 percent reduction of annual rainfall and frosty conditions through March and April. The summer continued to be cooler than average, with erratic temperatures through our Indian summer, resulting in low yields from small clusters and small grapes at moderate sugars. But, the cool weather also extended harvest which gave us longer hang time to produce high quality red wines with great balance and flavors.
- Varietal:** 86% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Merlot, 3% Cabernet Franc
- Alcohol:** 13.5 percent
- Cooperage:** Aged in new and used (50/50) French oak
- Case Production:** 2,615 cases
- Food Affinities:** Perfect with LMR Grass-fed Highland beef, with lamb, or with roasted game.
- Winemaker's Comments:** "This vintage expresses the full potential of the early growing season and beautiful fruit maturity. The nose has layers of forward fruit (blackberries, black cherries and dried plums), varietal earthiness (anise, black tea, dried briar patch), and well integrated oak (cedar, vanilla and milk chocolate). Approachable from the first sip, the smooth, rich tannins lend structure and length to the persistent, sappy fruit. Last impressions of clean, mouthwatering fruit linger without any infringement from excess alcohol, overripe prune/raisin or overpowering tannins. Enjoy the balance and youthfulness of this blend upon release o for years to come!"
- Ashley Heisey
- Long Meadow Ranch:** Owned by Ted, Laddie, & Christopher Hall, LMR employs an integrated, organic farming system, using simple, sustainable methods. Each part of the Ranch contributes to the health of the whole. Vineyards and wine making, olive orchards and olive oil making, cattle and horse breeding all work together in complementary fashion, as do the egg-laying poultry flock and the organic vegetable gardens. All crops are certified organic by California Certified Organic Farmers (CCOF) and are grown without the use of herbicides, pesticides, or chemical fertilizers.
- UPC Code Number:** 894591002181 - 750mL

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