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LONG MEADOW RANCH WINERY

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## 2013 CABERNET SAUVIGNON RUTHERFORD ESTATE NAPA VALLEY

VINEYARD: Estate Grown

VARIETAL: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

ALCOHOL: 13.5%

COOPERAGE: Aged in 50% new and 50% used French oak

**CASE PRODUCTION:** 504

FOOD AFFINITIES: Perfect with LMR Grass-fed Highland beef, with lamb, or with roasted game

## WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS:

"LMR's inaugural Rutherford Estate Cabernet represents the estate and the appellation extremely well. The nose is a powerful combination of fruitiness (cassis, black cherry, black current) and forest earthiness (cedar, balsam fir, cedar). On the palate, all of these flavors are accompanied by minor notes of dark chocolate, graham crackers, toasted almonds and fruit blossom floral. The texture and weight are ample, but never overbearing. The finish shows off concentrated cherry sappiness and an oily, smooth texture. This Cabernet is lovely now and will develop more complexity with extended bottle age."

- Ashley Heisey

## GROWING SEASON:

The 2013 vintage was a superb vintage. The unusually long season, moderate temperatures without a major heat spike, and lack of rains made for one of the best vintages in recent memory. An early spring bud break allowed our vineyards to get a two-week head start on the vintage, and the lack of frost meant that yields were excellent while the longer growing season allowed for full ripeness. The wines from this vintage will be outstanding in quality.

## LONG MEADOW RANCH:

Owned by Ted, Laddie, and 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.

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