



## 2007 Cabernet Sauvignon

*Napa Valley*



The 2007 Unfiltered Barlow Estate Cabernet Sauvignon may be the star of the 2007 vintage. It has a dense tannin structure that will allow it to mature well over time. The pure black currant fruit entwined with tobacco leaf, ink, smoke, and forest floor. The aroma shows the essence of our property with black sour cherry, rum raisin and just a hint of French vanilla. The 2007 Cabernet is medium to full-bodied, pure, rich, and substantial, and develops beautifully with a few years of cellaring.

The 2007 summer growing season was mild to cool, with few days topping 100 degrees, even in the warmest locations in the appellation. There were also notably fewer days in the 90s, and harvest followed a traditional, even relaxed, pace. There was a brief period of heat that spiked around Labor Day, with temperatures reaching into the 100's and humidity in the teens. This heat spike added to the boost of sugar development that we were looking for to complement the excellent flavors that were developing.

### AWARDS AND RATINGS:

*ROBERT PARKER 91POINTS~ The 2007 Cabernet Sauvignon may be the finest wine of this group. It needs some time to resolve its noticeable tannins, but I love the pure black currant fruit interwoven with tobacco leaf, ink, smoke, and forest floor. Medium to full-bodied, pure, rich, and convincing, give it 2-3 years of cellaring and enjoy it over the following 15+.*

*GOLD~San Francisco Wine Competition*

### VINTAGE STATISTICS:

BLEND	<i>100% Cabernet Sauvignon</i>
HARVEST DATE	<i>October, 2007</i>
BOTTLING	<i>June, 2009</i>
AGING	<i>20 months in French Oak</i>
ALCOHOL	<i>14.7% Unfiltered</i>
PRODUCTION	<i>549 cases</i>
RELEASE DATE	<i>October, 2010</i>