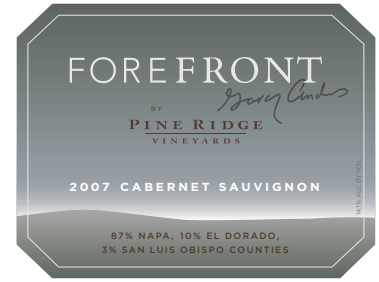


FOREFRONT

2007 CABERNET SAUVIGNON



About Forefront

The Andrus family, founders of Napa Valley's Pine Ridge winery over 30 years ago, were at the forefront of winemaking around the new world, taking risks and challenging the status quo. Our wines pay tribute to their contributions, commitment to quality and adventurous spirit, capturing distinctive blends and sourcing from the best appellations.

Varietal
78% Cabernet Sauvignon,
13% Syrah, 5% Merlot,
2% Petit Verdot,
1% Cabernet Franc
and 1% Malbec

Appellation
87% Napa, 10% El Dorado
& 3% San Luis Obispo counties

Alcohol
14.1%

Release Date
September 1, 2009

SRP
\$24

The Wine

The blending of multiple varieties and appellations gives this bottling tremendous complexity. Syrah was included in the blend to deliver a modern profile for this wine, lending a luscious fruit-forward character that is a soft counterpoint to the Cabernet Sauvignon from Napa.

VARIETAL	APPELLATION	VINTAGE NOTES
78% Cabernet Sauvignon 5% Merlot 2% Petit Verdot 1% Cabernet Franc 1% Malbec	Napa	A slow start with rain and cooling temperatures in the spring made for a late budbreak and later picking than usual.
13% Syrah	El Dorado	The warm growing season was cooled by harvest, resulting in excellent sugar and flavor development.
	San Luis Obispo (Edna Valley)	A moderate summer made for a very long growing season, producing grapes of exceptional intensity.

The Winemaking

The fruit for this blend was harvested from mid-September through late October to allow each varietal to reach its full potential. Grapes were carefully sorted then sent to temperature-controlled tanks for fermentation, with pump-overs done two to three times a day to fully extract the rich flavors. The finished wines were aged in barrel for 14 to 16 months before being bottled.

The Flavor Profile

Voluptuous aromas of blueberry, red cherry and raspberry are accented by darker notes of coffee bean, spicy bramble and hints of caramel. The palate is equally intriguing, opening with fresh, sweet dark berry and baked cherry fruit with firm tannins supporting the long and delicious finish.