



FROG'S LEAP

2000 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Napa Valley

THE BLEND

79% Cabernet Sauvignon
16% Cabernet Franc
5 % Merlot
74% Rutherford
10% Carneros
9% St. Helena
7% Yountville

PRODUCTION

12,800 cases

RELEASE DATE

November 2002

STATISTICS

harvest ~

September 15-November 1
23.7 ° brix at harvest
13.5% alcohol
6.2 gr/1 total acidity
3.53 pH

WINEMAKING

aged 20 months in oak barrels
(90% French ~10% American)
new to 5 years old

WINEMAKERS

John Williams
Paula Moschetti

ABOUT THE VINTAGE

This vintage was near textbook in every aspect. Normal winter rainfall, perfect bud break, even flowering, a couple of showers during set, a June swoon, then slow, even ripening right up to the start of the even-paced harvest. After the more extreme conditions of the three previous vintages, growers and winemakers kept waiting for the "other shoe to drop". Aside from a few unexpected twists: a couple of rainy days and at least one September heat spike, the other shoe was a picture perfect, classic Napa Valley vintage.

ABOUT THE WINE

The best of wines come from the best of locations. The Napa Valley is renowned for producing spectacular classic Cabernet, especially those Cabernets that come from Rutherford. Our 2000 Cabernet, with more than 75% Rutherford fruit, is a wine deeply reflective of its origin, profoundly influenced by this region's terroir. The layers are dramatic and engaging: deep, dark chocolate aromas and flavors, great structure and balance. A slightest dash of merlot brings wonderful drinkability. Frog's Leap 2000 Cabernet Sauvignon, a classic Napa Cabernet, the perfect expression of appellation.