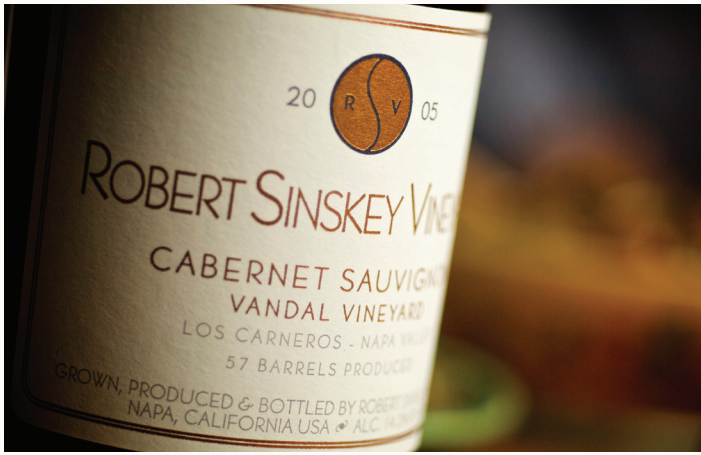


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CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Vandal Vineyard, Los Carneros, Napa Valley, 2005



WINEGROWING NOTES:

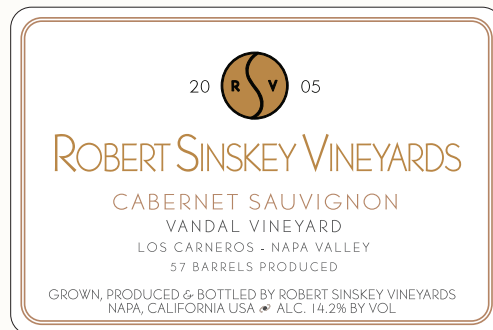
Cabernets in Carneros? The Los Carneros region has an identity crisis. Over the last few decades, the region's success with Burgundian grapes, Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, has obscured the fact that many highly touted Carneros wines are made from Bordeaux, Rhone and Alsace varieties. Carneros is a relatively large region with micro-climates that can accommodate many varieties on a site specific basis.

Back in the late eighties, RSV decided to act on the somewhat contrarian point of view that sections of the Carneros harbor affinities with the Bordeaux region of France.

Los Carneros straddles the foothills of the Mayacamas Mountains as they roll down into the San Pablo Bay. The bay exerts a maritime influence, making for a climate not entirely unlike that of the St. Emilion or Pomerol regions of Bordeaux. The Vandal Vineyard, blanketing the shoulder of land that rises to become Mount Veeder to the North, juts out of the soils interrupting otherwise dense clay. Cabernet Sauvignon thrives at the top of the ridge, out of the fog, facing the sun and on well-drained soils. Cabernet Franc vines drape down the hillsides as the soils get a bit denser and things cool down a bit.

The Vandal Vineyard provides the Cabernets with the perfect heat summation for a long ripening cycle, full flavor development with good acidity and moderate alcohol.

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TASTING NOTES:

Just off the rim, the color goes nearly opaque, almost black, but holds on to an intense, lustrous purple hue. Aromas recall black currant jam spiked with sweet herbs and vanilla. Flavors broaden and linger unhurriedly on a taut but supple canvas expertly knit by ripe, polished tannins.

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Oak Treatment: 20 Months - 1/3 New French Oak

Barrels Produced: 57 - TA: 6.4 g/l - PH: 3.67 - Alcohol: 14.2 by vol

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