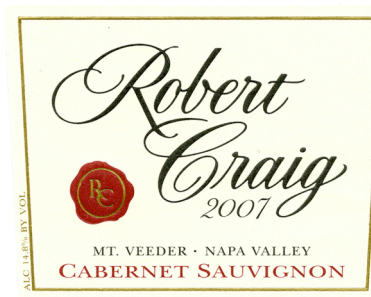


2007  
Mt. Veeder  
Napa Valley  
Cabernet Sauvignon

Blend: 83% Cabernet Sauvignon,  
17% Merlot

Total Production: 1480 cases



**WINEMAKER NOTES** When Robert Craig first came to Napa Valley in the late 1970's, he headed to Mt. Veeder in the southwestern Mayacamas range. There he spent the next 12 years learning about mountain vineyards and came to regard Mt. Veeder one of the premiere Appellations for world-class Cabernet Sauvignons. His first Mt. Veeder Cabernet was made in 1993. Fourteen vintages later, the 2007 offering represents perhaps the finest expression of this mountain terroir. The wine virtually leaps out of the glass with luscious fruit, incredibly fine, silky tannins and powerful finish.

**VINEYARD CHARACTERISTICS** This single-vineyard source that Robert Craig helped to plant in 1990 is located at 1800 feet along the mountain's summit. The steep contours of this 26-acre site offer quintessential Mt. Veeder terrain with multiple hillside exposures and changes in elevation. The resulting microclimates create varied weather patterns which influence grape development and ripening. The well-drained sandstone and blue shale soils provide an ideal foundation for growing small, concentrated berries.

**TASTING NOTES** *Aroma:* Intense, gorgeous aromas of blackberry and black currant followed by dark chocolate, vanilla bean and creme de cassis. *Flavors:* An explosion of juicy, rich Mt. Veeder black fruit underlain with more cassis, pencil lead, cocoa, and cedar. *Finish:* A huge concentration of fruit flows through on the palate, enlivened by bracing acidity and enveloped in refined, sweet mountain tannins. *General:* This is among the most ageworthy of our mountain Cabernets. Patience will be rewarded with 20+ years of enjoyment. Decanting recommended.

**WINE INFORMATION** *Harvest dates:* October 1 – October 25  
*Average sugar:* 25.6° Brix  
*TA:* .58; *pH:* 3.75; *Alcohol:* 14.9%  
*Barrel Aging:* 20 months in Chateau-style French oak. Unfiltered and unfined.  
*Bottling Date:* July 2009  
*Price:* California suggested retail price is \$70 per bottle.  
*Release Date:* September 2010