



## 2009 Robert Craig Mt. George • Napa Valley Cuvee

*Blend:* 64% Cabernet Sauvignon, 25% Cabernet Franc, 9% Merlot, 2% Petit Verdot  
Only 462 cases produced

### Winemaker Notes

Our 2009 Mt. George Cuvee comes from the same estate vineyard in the Mt. George foothills where grapes are grown for Affinity, our flagship Bordeaux-style Cabernet. Made to the same high standards as Affinity, this Left-Bank inspired blend is crafted from very small quantities of the best juice remaining after the Affinity blend components are selected. These choice lots are aged in French oak for added texture, refinement and complexity.

Each year, the Cuvee varies according to the blending program. The 2009 vintage is a polished offering, showcasing abundant, bright red fruit, supple tannins and great mouth-feel. Considered one of Napa Valley's best \$30 Cabernets, this is a wine to be enjoyed with friends and family -- the perfect choice for all occasions.

### Vineyard Characteristics

Our estate vineyard is located to the south of the Stag's Leap district in the southeastern Mt. George foothills of Napa Valley. This area produces a Cabernet that is similar to the Left Bank region of Bordeaux -- yet is very unique in its own right. The gravely, well-drained soils and moderate climate are ideal for growing the classic Bordeaux varietals, giving us small, intensely flavored berries.

### Tasting Notes

**Aroma:** Abundant bouquet of dark red currant, vanilla and roasted coffee, with a subtle floral component **Flavors:** A well-balanced entry of fresh, lush red cherry and cassis, followed by warm spice and café mocha. **Finish:** Concentrated fruit flavors lead the way, wrapped in silky tannins, leaving a parting touch of pure, dark cassis.

### Wine Information

*Harvest dates:* Sept. 28 – Oct. 22

*Average sugar:* 25° Brix

*TA:* .57

*pH:* 3.70

*Alcohol:* 14.5%

*Barrel Aging:* 6 months in thin-stave French oak.

*Bottling Date:* May 2010

*Price:* California suggested retail price is \$30.00 per bottle.