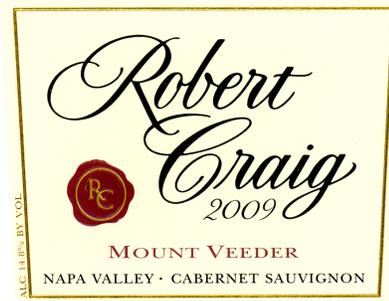


2009  
Mt. Veeder  
Napa Valley  
Cabernet Sauvignon

Blend: 88% Cabernet Sauvignon,  
12% Merlot

Total Production: 1004 cases



**WINEMAKER NOTES** Elevation ~ That's what Robert Craig Cabernet Sauvignons are all about. Nothing speaks more of high-altitude excellence than our latest Mount Veeder Cabernet Sauvignon. This is a seamless wine, with dense, dark mountain fruit and round, supple tannins. The weight, power and structure of this Cabernet all attest to its mountain origins and the distinctive terroir of the Mount Veeder appellation.

**VINEYARD CHARACTERISTICS** In 1990, Robert Craig served as consultant for a 26-acre vineyard being planted atop Mount Veeder. Located at 1800 feet, Pym Rae is among the highest vineyards in the AVA and is distinguished by the distinctive blue shale that underlies its shallow sandstone soils. Since 1993, the grapes have produced Robert Craig Mount Veeder Cabernets of great depth and longevity. Average yield is 2.4 tons/acre.

**TASTING NOTES** *Aroma:* Wild mountain fruit, pure and concentrated, is intertwined with cassis, cocoa powder, cedar and delicate black rose. Underlying notes of graphite and crushed rock add a Bordeaux-like minerality. *Flavors:* An elegant mouthful of Mt. Veeder black currant, sweet cassis and powdered chocolate is followed by pencil lead, lively mineral notes, and warm stones. *Finish:* Deep layers of black cherry and berry are bolstered by fine-grained mountain tannins and enlivened by bracing acidity. *General:* This beautifully structured wine is built for the long-haul. Decanting recommended.

**WINE INFORMATION** *Harvest dates:* October 2 – 28  
*Average sugar:* 26.5° Brix  
*TA:* .62  
*pH:* 3.81  
*Alcohol:* 14.8%  
*Barrel Aging:* 17 months in Chateau-style French oak barrels, 70% new, 30% second year. Unfiltered and unfined.  
*Bottling Date:* April 2011  
*Price:* California suggested retail price is \$70 per bottle.  
*Release Date:* September 2012

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