Mountain Road Reserve

2012 • CABERNET SAUVIGNON • PASO ROBLES

The fruit for the Mountain Road Reserve grows on Adelaida Springs Ranch, located at 1,700 feet elevation only 12 miles inland from the Pacific Coast. Situated in the rugged coastal mountains west of Paso Robles, this prime vineyard site features rocky calcareous soils and southwestern exposures that lend themselves to producing stunning wines. It is here that the grapes for our award-winning Meritage, Suendero, are grown.

This special selection focuses on Cabernet Sauvignon. To achieve a balanced style with a rich character and refined mouthfeel, the wine was aged for 32 months in new French oak barrels. 12% Petit Verdot was blended for added structure — enough to enhance the overall mouthfeel while still showcasing the rich Cabernet Sauvignon character.

This structured wine features flavors of dark currants with complex nuances of mocha and spice. Rich, layered tannins and good underlying acidity give it the capability for further development of character and finesse with proper cellar aging.

**Tasting Notes**

**COLOR:** Dark garnet  
**AROMA:** Dark cherries and currants with notes of cedar, coffee beans and anise  
**TASTE:** Full-bodied with rich, layered tannins and a long, creamy finish

**Recommendations**

Serve at 62° – 65° F  
Enjoy now through 2027  
Store in dark dry place at 55° – 65° F  
Pairing suggestions: Rack of lamb and steak au poivre

**Technical Notes**

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<td>09.20.12-10.22.12</td>
<td>26.7</td>
<td>Adelaida Springs Ranch</td>
<td>Cabernet Sauvignon 88% Petit Verdot 12%</td>
<td>352.5 (packed in 705 6-bottle cases)</td>
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Kevin Willenborg, Winemaker  
A very structured Cabernet exclusively for our Signature Club members

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