

PEJU

NAPA VALLEY

2012 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

rutherford

Estate Reserve

In 1983, Tony and Herta Peju bought thirty acres of vines in the famed Rutherford district of the Napa Valley. Since then, the Peju family has maintained a meticulous focus on the vineyard, which has grown to include a proactive approach to sustainability and environmental consciousness. That longstanding commitment and respect for the grapes can be tasted with each sip of these balanced and elegant wines. Still family-owned and operated with daughters Lisa and Ariana poised to take the helm, Peju Winery has become an integral piece of the Napa Valley landscape.

VINEYARD

Peju's Rutherford Estate is home to thirty acres of vines that stretch from Highway 29 to the Napa River. With an emphasis placed on green farming initiatives, our H.B. Vineyard has achieved California Certified Organic status and is planted primarily with Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, and Merlot. The wine produced here is a classic representation of Rutherford, a historic appellation known for wines of great depth, complexity, and longevity.

VINTAGE

Textbook bud break and flowering gave us high hopes for harvest, and Mother Nature did not disappoint. Summer temperatures remained in a precise range during the day, before dipping into the low 50s at night. This wide arc provided gentle, steady ripening and balanced sugar levels, and by evading late rains we finished with a bountiful harvest of undeniably excellent fruit.

TASTING

Enticing aromas of blackberry jam, ripe red berries and rhubarb welcome the senses with soft hints of anise and eucalyptus. Layers of ripe dark fruit immerse the palate complemented by hints of brown sugar, white pepper and savory herbs. This wine shows a structure, vibrancy and sharp finesse that will allow it to age a decade or more.

APPELLATION

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COMPOSITION

*97% cabernet sauvignon
3% merlot*

COOPERAGE

*100% french oak,
85% new*

AGING

24 months

ALCOHOL

15.3%

TA

6.3 g/l

PH

3.6

HARVEST DATE

october, 2012

BOTTLING DATE

june, 2014

RELEASE DATE

not yet released

CELLARING

enjoy now through 2022

PRODUCTION

617 cases

SRP

\$115 | \$1380