

2005 TAPLIN RIDGE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

ST. HELENA, NAPA VALLEY, CA.
"ROCKLEDGE VINEYARD"



THE WINE: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon.

Sourced from a single vineyard 500 feet above the Napa Valley in the St. Helena AVA. This Taplin Ridge comes from the most intense block in the famous 'Rockledge Vineyard'. Only 99 cases of this gem were produced from a winemaking collaboration between Mike Hirby and grower Peter Snowden.

~TASTING NOTES~

COLOR: Opaque purple with eggplant skin color tone, very dense.

NOSE: Aromatic intensity with black cherry and dark plum, complemented by smokey, toasted vanilla oak. Whispers of clove and cedar spice.

FLAVORS: Ripe flavors of black currant and black cherries intermingling with sweet cedary tannins, toasted oak and raspberry notes. The wine exudes concentration and intensity. After 5 years of age, smooth tannins and a soft texture have developed.

MOUTHFEEL: Rich, dense and concentrated. Velvety smooth with a long, lingering finish with much complexity.

VINTAGE: 2005. Regarded as rivaling 1997 and one of the greatest vintages in the last 20 years.

FOOD PAIRING: Delicious with a grilled porterhouse or New York Strip.

Drink now, or cellar for up to 7 -9 years.