



# NORD ESTATE WINES

2006

Napa Valley

## Cabernet Sauvignon

*Page Nord Vineyards*

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"The wine we tend to drink when we can drink any wine. Opening a bottle is an event unto itself.."

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### Harvest Report

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A cool spring gave way to a very warm summer, which developed Cabernet Sauvignon's fruit flavors magnificently. Beautiful fall weather allowed the fruit to hang until perfect ripeness was achieved. The grapes were harvested late in October, just before the first fall rains.

### Vineyard

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Known for its many vineyard designated Syrah wines, Page Nord Vineyards also produces Cabernet Sauvignon of the highest quality. Located on the north bank of Dry Creek, the vineyard benefits from the moderated heat and exposure that the mid-valley region enjoys. A flagship vineyard in the Nord's sustainable farming program, the site sees abundant wildlife resulting from its land and creek stewardship projects.

### Tasting Notes

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Feel the well-integrated tannins and seamless transition from the front of the palate toward the back, rewarding you with a pleasant, lingering finish. Rich, ripe flavors of black raspberry, elderberry, and cassis are accented by clove and cinnamon spice. The complex yet well-balanced structure allows the wine to play a role very complementary to good food.

### Winemaking

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The grapes were hand harvested in the cool morning hours. A relatively cool fermentation, coupled with twice daily pumpovers yielded a wine of great smoothness and character. A period of extended maceration followed the gentle fermentation, and a mix of new and old oak give medium tannins and a complete mouth feel. Wines were topped monthly and racked every 6 months.

### Vineyard Data

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Location.....north Napa, Oak Knoll AVA  
Elevation.....80'  
Vineyard age.....planted 1997  
Soil type.....Cole gravelly silt loam  
Clone.....field selection  
Rootstock.....110R  
Spacing.....12 x 3  
Trellis.....Split canopy  
Row orientation.....90° (east-west)

### Wine Data

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Harvested.....10/27/2006  
Harvest Brix.....26.4  
Alcohol.....14.9 %  
Total Acidity.....0.63  
pH.....3.70  
Barrels.....15% new French, 21 months  
Bottling Date.....8/18/2008  
Production.....145 cases  
Composition.....100% Cabernet Sauvignon,

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**Nord Vineyards: Sustaining Napa Valley's legacy of world-class wine.**

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