

PEJU

NAPA VALLEY

2013 CABERNET SAUVIGNON
Napa Valley

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

A textbook grape growing year for the Napa Valley, 2013 started off with healthy winter rains leading into a warm, dry spring and an early bud break. The extended heat spike at the start of July made summer temperatures consistently warm, allowing the grapes to mature steadily and develop complex flavors. Winemaker Sara Fowler describes 2013 as "beautiful, balanced and delicious."

TASTING

Our 2013 Rutherford Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon is decadently juicy with a fragrant nose of crème brûlée, vanilla, cherry and leather. Wonderfully rich and supple on the palate, expressing lush black cherry and blackberry flavors, this wine is complex, complemented by notes of molasses, cocoa nibs and thyme. Age worthy, with elegantly integrated tannins, this wine is delightful now and will continue to mature for the next decade.



ALCOHOL: 15.5%
TA: 6.3 g/l
PH: 3.56

APPELLATION: *Napa Valley*

AGING: *26 months*

RELEASE DATE: *September 2016*

VINEYARDS: *Rutherford, Persephone*

HARVEST DATE: *October 2013*

CELLARING: *Enjoy Now
Through 2023*

COMPOSITION : *83% Cabernet
Sauvignon, 11% Malbec, 6% Merlot*

BOTTLING DATE: *May 2016*

SRP: *\$125*

PRODUCTION: *1,359 Cases*

WINEMAKER: *Sara Fowler*