



OBERON

Napa Valley

2009 OBERON CABERNET SAUVIGNON NAPA VALLEY

35 Years of Napa Valley Roots

Napa Valley native and winemaker, Tony Coltrin, brings more than 35 years of winemaking experience to Oberon, with expertise in sourcing quality fruit from the best vineyards in the valley and understanding the region's uniqueness for growing classic Bordeaux varieties. His long-standing relationships with local growers ensure a consistency in the quality of the grapes grown in premier Napa Valley sub-appellations for Oberon.

Vintage 2009

With minimal frost in the spring, and relatively few hot spells in the summer and fall, the 2009 growing season in Napa Valley was mild, allowing for a long, slow ripening season and an easy-going start to the picking. However, cool weather, and then dramatic rain showers, in late October interrupted harvest, but patience and careful monitoring of the vineyards allowed us to deftly work around the rains and still pick at optimum maturity. Overall, tonnage increased from 2008 to be of more average size, and harvest wrapped up by the end of October.

Napa Valley Vineyards

To create Oberon Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, Tony Coltrin sourced grapes from throughout Napa Valley's finest winegrowing regions, including Rutherford, Oak Knoll, Wooden Valley, and our own Oso Vineyard at the northeastern end of Napa Valley. By layering fruit from Napa's volcanic hillside soils and the deeper alluvial soils of the valley floor, Tony accomplished his goal of marrying many different expressions into one outstanding Cabernet Sauvignon that boasts a beautifully rounded mouthfeel and rich, complex flavors.

Winemaking

After the grapes were gently hand-harvested, de-stemmed and crushed, the juice fermented in temperature-controlled stainless steel tanks, with an extended post-fermentation maceration that beautifully married flavors and tannins, giving our Oberon Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon its lovely, seamless texture. Malolactic fermentation in barrel, combined with 18 months oak aging (47% new French oak), further concentrated the wine's vibrant red cherry, candied blackberry, licorice and spice flavors, adding a hint of cocoa powder and a lingering toffee note on the finish.

Blend

85.93%	Cabernet Sauvignon
3.88%	Petite Sirah
3.66%	Merlot
3.14%	Syrah
2.77%	Petit Verdot
0.62%	Other red varieties

Wine Stats

Alcohol 13.7%
TA 5.68 g/L
pH 3.73

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