

PERATA VINEYARDS

Est. in 1948

2006 FRANK'S VINEYARD

With our 2006 "Franks" Yountville Cabernet Sauvignon we combined our old favorite with grapes from new clone and rootstock combinations grown at our vineyard. Our low yielding old clone Cabernet is still our favorite and the backbone of the Franks blend. We continue to add small amounts of grapes from our newer blocks planted on 3309 and 11OR rootstock. We have a variety of Cabernet Sauvignon clones from 337, 15, 191 and other proprietor selections. They were harvested at the same time and together the field blend was fermented. The wine has been aging for 18 months in combination of 2 year old to neutral French oak barrels. We are impressed with the medium body, ample tannins and crisp ripe red fruit character.

"There is a gentleman that has been walking through these vineyards for almost 60 years. He is now "retired" but still makes his daily path through the vines. His is quick to report what needs to happen in the vineyard to uphold the quality standards he and his father set in 1948. It is a privilege to follow in those footsteps, and we would like you to enjoy this blend that is nearly 60 years in the making." David Perata is the current family member making sure all is in keeping with the prior quality wines.

