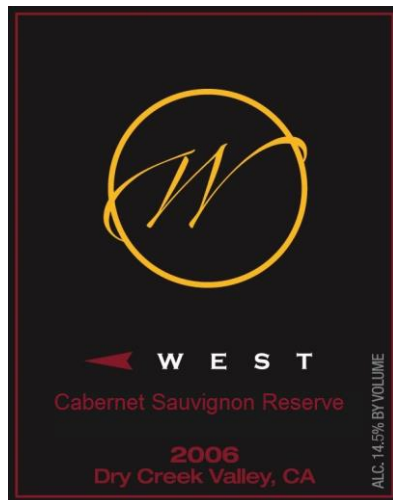


## 2006 WEST Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve



- 100% Cabernet Sauvignon, from our hillside estate
- Harvested late October 2006, bottled July 2008
- Aged 2 years in French oak barrels
- Alc. 14.5%

WEST Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve 2006 is a rich and elegant wine with flavors of ripe dark fruit such as black cherries and plum, a hint of laurel, tobacco and olive. A deep color and a round bouquet make for a complex wine which will continue to evolve over the years. We bottle age our Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve 4 years before release. Since we make our wines in a Bordeaux style, aging it is an important part of our winemaking.

Our Cabernet Sauvignon grows on our hillside property in the north end of the valley on west and south facing slopes high above the valley floor. Above the morning fog the grapes get long warm and sunny day to mature with full and complex flavors.

The 2006 season was notable for its late start and late finish. Harvest at the end of October meant great flavor and concentration as well as intense color in the grapes.

West Wines is a family winery in Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County owned by Katarina Bonde and Bengt Akerlind. Our winemaking style is inspired by French winemaking and we have been exporting wine to Europe since 2004. We believe in responsible agricultural practices such as minimizing the use of energy and water and using solar power. We use cover crops between our vine rows to create nutrition for the plants but also flowers who serve as a habitat for beneficial insects for pest control.

**Phyllis Zouzounis** is **winemaker** at West Wines together with owner Katarina Bonde. Phyllis began her winemaking career at Dry Creek Vineyards in 1980 and has been the winemaker at many prestigious wineries in Sonoma County.