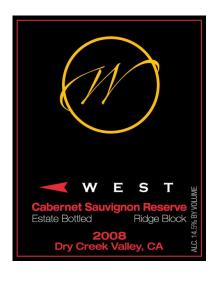
2008 WEST Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve



- 100% Cabernet Sauvignon
- Estate grown, West Crest vineyard
- Harvested October, 2008
- Aged 20 months in French oak barrels
- Bottled July, 2010
- Released April 2015
- Alc. 14.5%
- Dry Creek Valley AVA

WEST Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve 2008 has an intense set of flavors ranging from dark cherries and laurel to eucalyptus and cedar. 2008 was a dramatic growing season with a record dry winter and extended frost in April resulting in small berries and light crop. The mild summer and warm dry fall made up for it by the intensity of flavors. This wine is aged in French oak barrels for 2 years and bottle aged over 4 years before release spring 2015. Enjoy now or let it continue to evolve more complex flavors over the years until at least 2025.

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 with its morning fog the grapes get long warm and sunny day to mature with full and complex flavors.

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 where long aging is part of the method and we have been exporting wine to Europe since 2004. We practice sustainable farming, minimizing the use of energy and water and using solar power. Between our wine rows we plant cover crops to create nutrition for the plants but also flowers who serve as a habitat for beneficial insects for pest control.

Winemakers are Katarina Bonde and Phyllis Zouzounis. Katarina got her Winemakers Certificate at UC Davis 2012 and hands on experience while crafting the portfolio of wines at West Wines. Phyllis began her winemaking career at Dry Creek Vineyards in 1980 and has been the winemaker at many prestigious wineries in Sonoma County.