

# WATERSTONE

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## 2006 CABERNET SAUVIGNON NAPA VALLEY

### Vintage

*With the exception of a dramatic July heat spike, the 2006 growing season was marked by few superlatives. A relatively cool growing season, including one of the coolest Septembers on record, led to extended hangtime and fully developed flavors. Ideal weather persisted through the extended harvest, allowing for excellent sugar development and balanced acids.*

### Vineyards


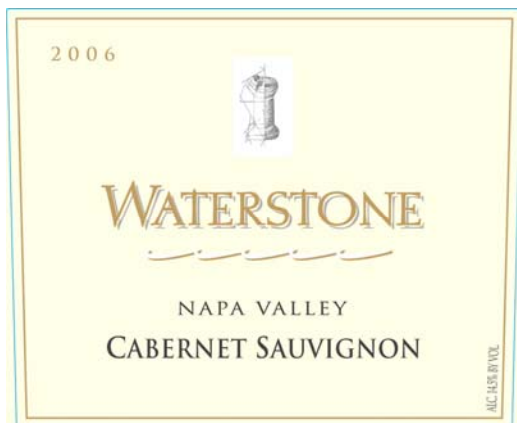
*Well-established hillside vineyards are the foundation of this wine, giving the finished blend its intense inner core of fruit. The complexity and balance of the vintage was achieved through diverse sourcing; while a majority of grapes were sourced from Oakville and Rutherford, vineyards from Coombsville to Diamond Mountain contributed to the final blend.*

### Vinification

*The grapes were hand picked at optimum ripeness. Following destemming, the grapes were stainless steel-fermented and received extended skin contact before being transferred to barrels. The wine was aged in small French oak barrels for 22 months (80% new barrels) where the wine completed malolactic fermentation. The wine was racked prior to bottling.*

### Tasting Notes

*Aromas of cedary oak, currants, black cherries and ripe plums are rich and concentrated on the palate.. The firm tannins underlying the wine's core provide balance, leading to a long, lingering finish.*



Philip Zorn, Winemaker

### Technical Data:

Varietal Composition	79% Cabernet Sauvignon 17% Merlot 4% Cabernet Franc
Appellation	Napa Valley
Alcohol	14.9%
TA	0.58 g/100ml
pH	3.83
Oak Aging	22 months
Oak Cooperage	French oak, 80% new
Bottling Dates	November 17-20, 2008
Production	8,900 cases
Suggested Retail	\$26

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