

2007 Cabernet Sauvignon Lake County

History

In 1861 Lake County was created from parts of Napa and Mendocino counties and has since been well known as a farming community.

In the 1870s vineyards were planted and by the early 1900s the area was already earning its reputation for producing **“The World’s greatest wines.”** Prohibition forced an end to the Lake County wine production in 1920 when most of the vineyards were removed and replaced with walnut and pear orchards.

The comeback of the wine industry in Lake County began in the 1960s when a few growers rediscovered the area’s grape growing potential and once again began planting vineyards. Today, Lake County has more than 8,800 acres of planted vineyards, a significant increase from the less than 100 acres that were planted in 1965. This area has also seen the recent establishment of several American Viticultural areas such as High Valley and Red Hills-Lake County. We are proud to say that Lake County contains many vineyards that support the California Wine Institute’s Code of Sustainable farming practices.

Shannon Ridge Vineyards & Winery, on the steep mountain slopes in Lake County, uses sustainable farming practices to produce the finest mountain fruit possible. Our winemakers are impassioned to create wines that represent the best of our vineyards.

Winemaking Notes

The grapes used to produce our 2007 Shannon Ridge Lake County Cabernet Sauvignon were harvested from our Family’s vineyards in the High Valley appellation in Lake County, California. The grapes were picked at the peak of ripeness at 26 Brix. The grapes were put through an early press with a slow extraction of color and tannins from the skins as well as 100% malolactic fermentation in French oak.

Tasting Notes

Color: Deep purple, garnet

Aroma: Bing cherry, blackberry, rich vanilla oak

Flavor: Marion berry, ripe bing cherry, creamy vanilla oak

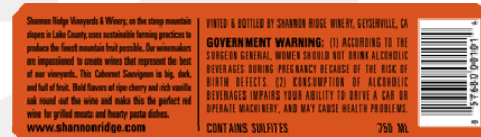
Texture: Supple, full, rich and well balanced

Technical Data

Alcohol:	14.2%
Total Acidity:	.57 g/mL
pH:	3.75
Residual Sugar:	.25%
Composition/Blend:	90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3.5% Zinfandel, 3.5% Petite Sirah, 3% Petite Verdot
Appellation:	Lake County
Barrels:	French Oak
Time in Barrels:	8 months
Cases Produced:	9964

Suggested Retail: \$19

Stock#: SN07CS



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