

Midnight Rambler

2006 RUTHERFORD, USA

Name Story Midnight Rambler is named for our winemaker who walks the vineyards the night of the harvest, checking the grapes for perfect ripeness.

Vineyards and Winemaking Low-yielding clay, loam and gravel soils from the famed Rutherford bench north of Oakville, California. Cold soak and extended maceration. Aged in Hungarian, French and American oak barrels (70% new).

Grapes 100% Cabernet Sauvignon.
Picked: October 27, 2006.

Tasting Notes *Aroma:* Wild berry, boysenberry and violet.
Taste: Ripe cherry, plum and spice with a hint of Rutherford dust.

Drink by Date Now through 2013.

Winemaker *Gerry Rowland.* Gerry was born in Australia's Barossa Valley where his father farmed grapes and where he began his winemaking career. He joined Stags Leap Winery for the great 1987 vintage, and worked for many years at Chappellet Winery before starting his own winery. His signature style combines a respect for tradition with healthy innovation, forging together elements of both the new and old worlds.

Reviews

Wine Spectator



88 pts. *“Impressive for its rich yet elegant mix of red currant, black cherry, plum and light cedary, toasty oak that slowly gains depth and presence on the palate.”*