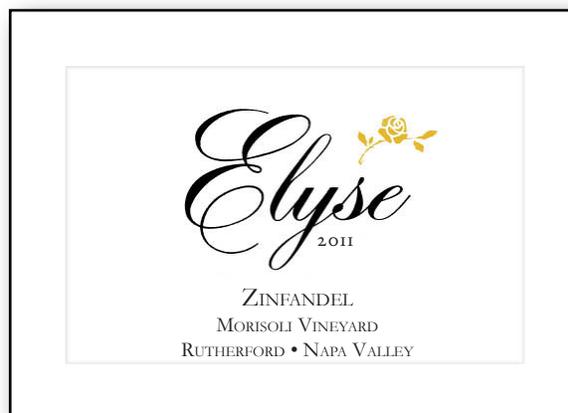


2011 ZINFANDEL

MORISOLI VINEYARD
RUTHERFORD • NAPA VALLEY



HARVEST DATES:	10/13 and 10/14
GRAPE SOURCE:	Morisoli Vineyard, Rutherford AVA
BLEND:	87% Zinfandel, 13% combination of Alicante Bouschet, Carignane, Durif, Grand Noir, Muscat Hamburg, Négrette, Syrah, and Valdiguié... or TLTL (Too Long To List).
HARVEST BRIX:	25.2°, and 24.6°
MACERATION:	14 day native-yeast fermentation
AGING:	10 ½ months in American oak (25% new)
pH:	3.54
TA:	0.67 g/100mL
ALCOHOL:	14.4%
PRODUCTION:	1,832 cases (12 pack – 750mL)

TASTING NOTES:

We have been making Zinfandel from the Morisoli Vineyard since 1986 and have been the only producer working with these grapes since 1988. The old field-blend vines, Rutherford Bench terroir, and traditional farming practices always create a truly distinctive Zinfandel.

The 2011 vintage is ruby red colored with aromas of ripe raspberry, blackberry and a hint of sweet spice. Smooth and supple on the palate, it is splendidly layered with newly picked red and black fruit. Bright flavors of raspberries, cassis and currants glide across the palate as they intermingle with mocha and baking spice followed by brilliant acidity. A fresh and lively wine!

This wine is extremely food friendly. Try it with a peppered steak, osso buco, rich tomato dishes, pasta, or a selection of cheeses.

THE VINEYARD:

Morisoli Vineyard is located in the heart of the Rutherford Bench, between Niebaum and Manley Lanes, at the base of Mount Saint John. This area has a worldwide reputation for producing complex, distinctive and age-worthy wines. The unique terroir consists of well-drained, light, dusty, gravelly soil that produces grapes with vibrant flavor and impeccable balance. The resulting wines express equal parts power and finesse. This historic vineyard has been meticulously farmed by the Morisoli family for over a century. Each year, since 1986, we have been fortunate to produce a Cabernet Sauvignon and Zinfandel from this very special place in Napa Valley.

“A meal with wine is dining - it’s a conversation, an event. It’s what wine is all about.”
- Ray Coursen, Winemaker & Owner



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