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#### 2000 JERICHO CANYON VINEYARD

Jericho Canyon Vineyard is located on the eastern slope of the Vaca Mountains the northern end of Napa Valley. This boxed canyon is home to twelve blocks steeply terraced Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Cabernet Franc. While Napa is known for its summer heat, a gap in the Mayacamas Range allows cooling winds to create temperatures at this vineyard similar to those found at Rudd's estate vineyard in Oakville. In 2000, the hillside plantings and climate produced a wine of great elegance and finesse.

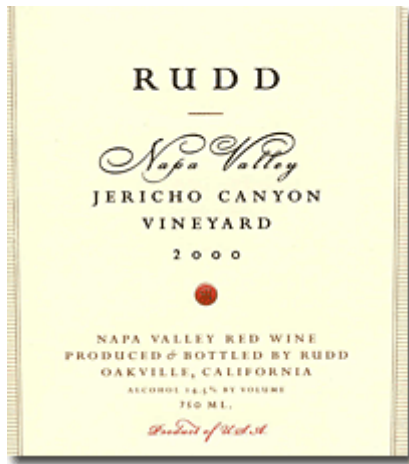
Harvest 2000 followed ideally mild summer temperatures, allowing for hang time that allowed mature tannins to develop in all three varietals. As with the previous vintage, the grapes were hand-selected during a five-week period beginning September 25 and ending with the last selection of Cabernet on the 3rd of November. As a result, the wine exhibits powerful, ripe tannins balanced with concentrated dark fruit flavors and complex aromatics and an integrated yet persistent finish. After eighteen months of barrel aging, the wine was bottled without fining or filtration in early June 2002.

**Blend:** 53% Cabernet Sauvignon, 29% Merlot, 17% Cabernet Franc and 1% Petit Verdot

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**Appellation:** Napa Valley

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**Fermentation:** Native yeast  
and natural malolactic

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**Aging:** 18 months in French  
oak; 50% new

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**Cases produced:** 2500

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**Suggested retail price:** \$100