



**2006 Outpost Howell Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon  
Napa Valley**

<i>Release Date</i>	March 2009
<i>Appellation</i>	Howell Mountain elev. 2200 feet above the Napa Valley floor
<i>Winemaker</i>	Thomas Rivers Brown
<i>Varietal composition</i>	100% Cabernet Sauvignon, all from our estate
<i>Production</i>	250 cases
<i>Alcohol</i>	14.8%
<i>Cooperage</i>	100% new French oak barrels

**Winemaker Tasting Notes**

Dark and brooding with a lush mid palate and long, juicy finish, this wine is somewhat atypical for Howell Mountain in its accessibility but all the proper taste character comes through on the flavor profile: blackberries, blueberries, a touch of white pepper, camphor and black currants.

***Robert Parker's Wine Advocate* Tasting Notes**

"The 2006...avoids the hard tannin and monolithic character that can be found in some 2006 Cabernets. Pure black raspberry, black currant, graphite, and subtle spicy oak dominate the aromatics. Full bodied with terrific texture, a layered mouthfeel, and a long finish suggest this 2006 can be drunk now or cellared for a decade of more." --92 pts.