

ROBERT SINSEY

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Rob Sinskey believes that making luxuriously elegant wines and farming with earth friendly methods are not mutually exclusive. Rather, he has found that caring for the land organically, combined with conscientious business practices (including a solar powered winery, using biodiesel from used restaurant oil in tractors and trucks, and having sheep and chickens mow the cover crops) have helped define the well-crafted wines of RSV.



After 20 years, his philosophy that "Wine is not an athletic event" still holds true to this day. The goal has always been to make "pure wines of character that pair well with cuisine." RSV is spreading the gospel that organically grown grapes produce fine wines of great individuality.

RSV's holdings have grown from 15 to over 200 acres of CCOF certified organic and Demeter certified Biodynamic vineyards in five Carneros locations (Three Amigos, Vandal, OSR and Capa in Napa Carneros and the Scintilla Vineyard in Sonoma Carneros) with a small estate vineyard behind the winery in the Stags Leap District.

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

"STAG'S LEAP" OR "SLD"



Varietal/Blend: 4 acres of Cabernet Sauvignon / half acre of Merlot

Farming: certified CCOF organic / practicing biodynamic

Soil: clay

Harvest Technique: by hand at night

Fermentation: destemmed / spontaneous fermentation in fermenters / barreled down once dry

Malolactic: yes

Maturation: almost 2 years in 40% new French oak and 2 additional years in bottle

Alcohol: 14%

Yeast: ambient

Fined: no

Filtered: no

"The 2011 vintage on RSV's organically farmed SLD Estate Vineyard survived a drought year only to be hit by rain during spring flowering, resulting in one of the smallest sets in our history. Almost dry farmed, the four acres of Cabernet Sauvignon and half acre of Merlot produced tiny clusters of grapes with thicker than average skins. The vintage was long and cool, but otherwise uneventful in RSV's Stags Leap District Estate Vineyard."

Country: United States

Region: Napa Valley

Sub Region: Stag's Leap

Vineyard: Napa: Three Amigos Vineyard

Vineyard Size: 4.5 acres