88 Monte Bello Vineyard Production:

54 Tons from 40 Acres

Selection: 20%

88 Monte Bello, bottled April 90

Excessive heat just prior to harvest affected color and flavor in many fine vineyards. The cooler climate of the Santa Cruz Mountains, however, moderated temperatures and gave us an ideal vintage. We included the first press and most of the second. The wine is beautifully balanced and, with its full, round tannins, immediately accessible. It will continue to develop in complexity over the next fifteen years. In the selection, twenty percent of the vineyard was held out and bottled as Santa Cruz Mountains Cabernet. PD (4/90)

Founded in 1959 when there were less than 70 active California wineries, Ridge was one of the first of today's small, fine producers. Close adherence to traditional winemaking techniques has set Ridge apart. It determines our style and includes natural yeast, submerged cap fermentations, racking to achieve clarity, and filtering only when necessary for stability. Our winery and estate vineyards are located above 2,300 feet on Monte Bello Ridge in the Santa Cruz Mountains and overlook San Francisco and the Bay Area. To order wines or visit, write or call (408) 867-3233.

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RIDGE 1988 SANTA CRUZ MOUNTAINS MONTE BELLO

95% CABERNET SAUVIGNON, 3% MERLOT, 2% PETIT VERDOT SANTA CRUZ MOUNTAINS ALCOHOL 12.9% BY VOLUME GROWN, PRODUCED AND BOTTLED BY RIDGE VINEYARDS BW 4488, 17100 MONTE BELLO ROAD, CUPERTINO, CALIFORNIA