GOVERNMENT WARNING: (1) ACCORDING TO THE SURGEON GENERAL, WOMEN SHOULD NOT DRINK ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DURING PREGNANCY BECAUSE OF THE RISK OF BIRTH DEFECTS. (2) CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IMPAIRS YOUR ABILITY TO DRIVE A CAR OR OPERATE MACHINERY, AND MAY CAUSE HEALTH PROBLEMS.

CONTAINS SULFITES

Monte Bello Vineyard Yields, Monte Bello Parcels: 78 tons from 58 acres

2009 Monte Bello, bottled June 2011

A long, cold winter and cool spring led to a late start, but warm summer weather brought the vines back on schedule. The last grapes were picked on October 12, one day before torrential rains. New conveying and sorting equipment contributed to gentle handling. Natural fermentations finished in seven days. At first assemblage in February, one Estate cabernet parcel was included in the blind tastings due to its intensity, and was selected, along with fifteen of the nineteen Monte Bello parcels; two more were added in May. At ten, twenty, or thirty years of age, this exceptional vintage will match the finest of any region.

Limestone sub-soils, cool climate, low yields, and natural fermentations have produced fifty vintages of exceptionally long-lived wines. Great wines have always been determined by their site—by nature, not by man.

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750 mL

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RIDGE 2009 MONTE BELLO®

MONTE BELLO ESTATE VINEYARD
72% CABERNET SAUVIGNON, 22% MERLOT,
6% PETIT VERDOT SANTA CRUZ MOUNTAINS
13.5% ALCOHOL BY VOLUME

GROWN, PRODUCED & BOTTLED BY RIDGE VINEYARDS 18100 MONTE BELLO RD, BOX 1810, CUPERTINO, CALIFORNIA 95015