

The New York Times

"The remarkable consistency and beauty of these wines make Monte Bello America's greatest Cabernet Sauvignon, in my judgment as The Times's wine critic."

—Eric Asimov

Antonio Galloni
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"Ridge remains one of the finest operations I visit anywhere in the world. The total commitment to quality, value and customer service simply has no equal in this country."

"If the United States had a formal classification of estates, Ridge would be the equivalent of a First Growth." —Antonio Galloni

Robert Parker
WINE ADVOCATE

"While other wineries' fortunes have risen and fallen, Ridge Vineyards' Monte Bello has maintained a record of consistent brilliance unrivaled in California ever since that inaugural vintage. This cuvée is one of the most reliably outstanding Cabernet Sauvignon blends in the world. And today, ably guided by vineyard manager David Gates and winemaker Eric Baugher, I believe that Ridge is making better wines than ever before." —William Kelley

Wine Spectator

"...47 vintages later, Draper can reflect on an amazing career. Not only elevating Ridge to international acclaim, he took Zinfandel, an underappreciated blending grape, to an elite level as well, rescuing the variety from insignificance by demonstrating its full potential." —James Laube

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"But quite simply: The depth of Draper's contribution to the current extraordinary state of American wine is simply beyond expression." —Jon Bonné

