

# NADEAU

*Family Vintners*

## 2003 Roussanne Central Coast

### The **Winery**

Nadeau Family Vintners is the result of years of effort by Robert Nadeau and his wife, Patrice. Together they renovated a tiny barn in the mountains west of Paso Robles, transforming it into an efficient, well-equipped micro-winery. Old-world styled vineyards have been planted on the slopes surrounding the building...most of the planting is dedicated to dry-farmed, head-trained Zinfandel, with an acre or so devoted to Grenache Noir and Petite Sirah. At nearly 2000 feet in elevation, the property is generally above the morning fog and usually receives about twice the rainfall seen below in Paso Robles (Elev: 960')

### The **Wine**

The Nadeau Family Vintners' 2003 Roussanne Central Coast is an amazing white wine. It is 80% Roussanne; 20% Viognier and is a great follow-up vintage to the 2002 Roussanne which was so spectacular. Roussanne is one of the more pronounceable Rhone varieties and is the one which has become our very favorite white wine grape.

### The **Blend**

80% Roussanne  
20% Viognier

### The **Vital Statistics**

100% Santa Ynez  
100% 2003 Vintage  
100% Westerly Vineyards  
Harvest: August; Sugar @ Harvest: 24.2 Brix; TA: 0.70 gm./100mL; pH: 3.41  
Finished Wine EtOH: 14.1% By Vol.

These grapes were whole-cluster pressed using a pneumatic bladder press, cold-settled, inoculated with yeast and barrel fermented in new French Oak barrels. The resulting wine was aged sur-lie, and was periodically topped with Viognier. This delightful wine was cold-stabilized then filtered and bottled in April, 2003.

The 2003 Vintage yielded only 195 cases.

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