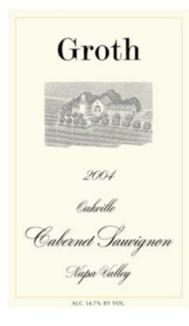


# WINE RECOMMENDATION



## **Groth Vineyards and Winery**

2004 Cabernet Sauvignon (Oakville)

This is another in a long line of beautifully made Cabernet Sauvignons from the Napa Valley. I'm so enamored of the vintage, which produced an abundance of classic, even-keeled wines that are distinctly from their place.

This one has perfumed blackberry aromas with a shade of oak. It's smooth and stylish in the mouth with some of that toasty oak, a hint of chocolate and lots of blackberry goodness. The tannins are finely honed for aging up to about 10 years. Here is a Cab that came in at a rather high alcohol level – 14.7 percent – but it doesn't detract from the quality. The wine spent 20 months in half new French barrels.

## Reviewed February 21, 2008 by Alan Goldfarb.

### THE WINE

Winery: Groth Vineyards and Winery Vintage: 2004 Wine: Cabernet Sauvignon Appellation: Oakville Grapes: Cabernet Sauvignon (87%), Merlot (13%) Price: \$55.00

#### THE REVIEWER



# Alan Goldfarb

Alan Goldfarb has been writing about and reviewing wine for 17 years. His reviews have been published in the *St. Helena Star, San Jose Mercury, San Francisco Examiner, Decanter,* and *Wine Enthusiast,* among others. Not once has he used a point system, star

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