



IN THE VINEYARD

The grapes for this Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon were sourced from two vineyards in the north eastern area of Napa Valley. This warmer area brings out the brighter fruit with less acidity, which creates more plushness in the mid palate resulting in a juicy, flavorful wine.

ABOUT THE VINTAGE

The 2014 vintage in Napa Valley was one of the earliest harvested vintages in years. A warm spring led to early bud break and created the perfect environment for flowering and fruit set. With warm days and cool nights, our team was able to maintain ideal acid levels with optimum, bright fruit flavors.

CONVERSATION WITH THE WINEMAKER

The wine spent between 10 and 20 days on skins and was pressed off at dryness to help capture brighter fruit aromatics. The wine was aged for 29 months in 100% French oak, of which 10% was new French oak. Using minimal new oak allows the expressiveness of the tannin and texture to shine and the balance was aged in twice and thrice-used French oak. The final blend includes small amounts of Petit Sirah, Cabernet Franc and Merlot for added depth and complexity.

WINE PROFILE

Our 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon opens with alluring aromas of black cherry, ripe plum and candied violet that leap out of the glass. Rich flavors of cassis, blackberry and huckleberry are accented with notes of caramelized sugar and cocoa nibs. Velvety upon the palate, this wine is juicy with sweet tannins and an opulent mid-palate leading to a delightfully long finish.

TECHNICAL NOTES

APPELLATION: NAPA VALLEY

VARIETAL: 80% CABERNET SAUVIGNON,
12% PETIT SIRAH, 4% CABERNET FRANC,
4% MERLOT

ALCOHOL: 14.5% BY VOL.

PH: 3.64

TA: 5.7 G/L

AGEING: 29 MONTHS FRENCH OAK,
10% NEW FRENCH OAK