

2020

Cakebread Cellars

NAPA VALLEY
Since 1973

CABERNET SAUVIGNON NAPA VALLEY

Our classic Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon boasts a complex bouquet of ripe blackberry and boysenberry complemented by notes of dark chocolate and toasty oak. The fragrant and sumptuous dark fruit is balanced by fresh acidity and lush tannins with a lingering, elegant finish and a hint minerality. Rich and smooth on the palate, enjoy this wine now, with everything from braised short rib to grilled portobello mushrooms—or lay the wine down and watch it continue to develop complexity in the bottle for years to come.

VINEYARDS & VINTAGE

We blend our Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon from special spots throughout the region: The renowned cabernet sauvignon appellations of Rutherford and Oakville impart classic Napa Valley bold fruit intensity, while the warmer Calistoga area to the north, and the cooler southern reaches of the Suscol watershed contribute layers of complexity and depth of flavor. These distinct sites with diverse soils and microclimates enable us to craft a rich, yet elegant classic Bordeaux-style blend that highlights the best of the Napa Valley.

The 2020 growing season began with a warm, dry winter and mild spring, which prepped the vineyards for a long, even ripening season. Summer was dominated by cool mornings and warm afternoons, ripening the fruit, showcasing its distinct varietal aromas and concentrated flavors.

WINEMAKING

We hand harvested grapes during the cool night hours to ensure the fruit retained freshness, purity, and natural acidity. Clusters were hand-sorted and destemmed. Partial crush gave us optimum extraction of color, flavor, and tannin from the grape skins. Prior to fermentation, grapes underwent a “cold soak,” which softens the grape skins and further helps extract color and tannin. The wine aged in French oak barrels (47% new) for 17 months, then our winemaker blended the diverse components to add layers of complexity to the wine.

GRAPE VARIETY

91% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Merlot,
2% Petit Verdot, 1% Malbec

VINEYARDS

100% Napa Valley

HARVEST DATES

September 20 – October 13, 2020

WINEMAKER

Stephanie Jacobs

NOTES

ALCOHOL 14.9%

ACIDITY 0.63G/100 ml

PH 3.68

BOTTLE April 2022

AGING Aged 17 months in
47% new French
oak, 53% neutral
French oak

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