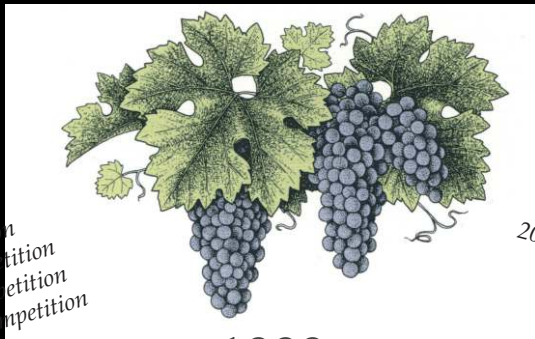


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SEVEN GOLDS!
 2003 Los Angeles Co. Fair
 2003 Grand Harvest Awards
 2003 Pacific Rim International
 2003 West Coast Wine Competition
 2003 San Francisco Chronicle Competition
 2004 Hilton Head Island Wine Competition
 2003 International Wine & Spirit Competition

THREE DOUBLE GOLDS!
 2003 Amenti del Vino
 2003 Florida State Fair
 2003 Tasters Guild Consumers' Wine Judging
EXCEPTIONAL! - "90" points
 2003 Beverage Testing Institute

1999

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Napa Valley

Winemaker's Notes

Alcohol 13.9% by volume
 Fermentation stainless steel tanks
 Harvest date October 5-12, 1999
 Sugar 24.5 Brix
 Bottling date May 2002
 Release date March 1, 2003
 Residual sugar 0.02%
 Total acid 6.5 g/L
 pH 3.52
 Time in oak 30 months
 Type of oak 80% French
 20% American
 80% new
 Case production 13,081
 Blend 95% Cab. Sauvignon,
 3% Merlot, 2% Cabernet Franc

The 1999 vintage was blessed with plenty of summer sunshine and a lengthy harvest. These conditions allowed the grapes to stay on the vines longer than usual, thereby producing all the glorious flavors and aromas of perfectly matured grapes.

This 1999 vintage has typical Cabernet aromas and a long, lingering aftertaste coating your tongue with a gentle layer of soft tannins (sometimes called Rutherford dust) and mouth-filling flavors of currant, blackberry, spice and chocolate to prolong your enjoyment. It is structured much like a classic Bordeaux with a solid base of 95% Cabernet Sauvignon blended with 3% Merlot and 2% Cabernet Franc to create a unique wine with great complexity, perfect balance, and a beautiful deep garnet color. Like all of our Cabernets, this vintage was built for the cellar and will improve with age (just like

good people). We recommend serving this wine with prime rib au jus, venison, or a grilled steak as the perfect complement to a festive dinner.

94
points

THE WINE NEWS - June/July 2003

Fabulous aromas of cherry, blueberry and sweet leather in a delicate dance with chocolate, mint, licorice and coffee. A panoply of layered flavors dazzle the palate with blackberry, blueberry, mint and chocolate leading the parade. An amazing, densely packed wine.

92
points

WINE ENTHUSIAST - May 2003

This dramatic and flamboyant wine is as big as they get, but never loses focus. Gigantic in its black currant flavors and well oaked, yet there's a core in the tannins and acids that keeps this monster on a short leash. Will age for the long haul.

90
points

CONNOISSEURS' GUIDE

TO CALIFORNIA WINE - April 2003

Broadly fruited and decked out with lots of lovely sweet spice that smacks a bit of root beer and cream, this deep and well-polished wine show nicely at every point. It is full and fleshy in feel and is kept in balance by a proper spine of youthful tannins, and, if warmed by alcohol in its ripe finish, it does not let up in either fruit or richness. There are more intense and bombastic Cabernets to be had, but this one wins very good marks for its open and steady style.



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