

N A P A VALLEY

Raymond

2013 DISTRICT COLLECTION SPRING MOUNTAIN CABERNET SAUVIGNON



TECHNICAL NOTES

APPELLATION: SPRING MOUNTAIN, NAPA VALLEY

VARIETAL: 100% CABERNET SAUVIGNON

ALCOHOL: 15 % BY VOL.

PH: 3.82 G/L

TA: 5.5

BARREL AGED: 19 MONTHS IN 50% NEW FRENCH OAK BARRELS

IN THE VINEYARD

The grapes for the Spring Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon were sourced from a single vineyard. Well-drained volcanic and sedimentary soils coupled with high winter rainfall, cool springtime weather and warm harvest nights lead to a unique flavor profile. Intense fruit flavors and complex mountain tannins best characterize wines from this vineyard.

ABOUT THE VINTAGE

The 2013 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.

CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

All Clone 4, the grapes were fermented on the skins for 35 days with pumpovers twice daily. After native fermentation, the wine was gently pressed, racked and aged for 19 months in 50% new French oak barrels. Tightly grained French oak barrels impart their oak to wines slowly for a consistent, well-rounded aging process while yielding subtle oak influences to the Cabernet Sauvignon.

WINE PROFILE

Our 2013 Spring Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon opens with earthy aromas of tobacco and black tea with hints of Mission fig. The palate boasts flavors of sloe berries and pomegranate with a toasty, cocoa and roasted coffee finish. Focused and structure driven, the wine has classic mountain tannins and bright acidity that make this a wine to be enjoyed now or cellared for the next 10+ years.