

MARKHAM

VINEYARDS®

Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon 2013



WINEMAKER'S NOTES

This is a vintage worthy of cellaring for special occasions. Striking boysenberry and cassis fruit is layered with vanilla, dark chocolate and star anise aromas. Dense and textural, our Cabernet Sauvignon displays velvety richness throughout the soul of this young hipster. Its jammy, ripe berry flavors are enhanced with sweet oak and cola notes. Chewy tannins create a mesmerizingly balanced but powerful wine. With a wine this easy to drink it shouldn't be hard to find the perfect match ☺ If you pair with anything other than a glass, perhaps a buttery filet mignon with a red wine reduction and a side of pommes Anna to match the decadence.

VINEYARD NOTES

Our Cabernet Sauvignon is entirely blended from our two Estate vineyards. Set in a canyon surrounded by wild Bay Laurel trees, the rocky soils provide near perfect growing conditions for our Calistoga Cabernet and Petit Verdot. In the heart of Napa Valley, our Yountville property has an amazing lineage spanning over 140 years. The Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc from that parcel is the backbone of the blend. Careful canopy management maximizes filtered light within the vines, allowing the fruit to ripen evenly. The wines are sent to barrels individually to mature, providing greater understanding of the direct impact of our viticultural practices each vintage.

HARVEST NOTES

The 2013 growing season was perfect! Below average rainfall, early spring bud break, even fruit set and a hot summer. All of us in Napa Valley fast-tracked our summer bottlings to make room for an early harvest. Our white varieties had above average yields which slowed their arrival to the winery, while the small berry size on our red grapes had them rushing ahead of schedule. We started crushing Merlot practically from day one. Our estate Cabernet ruled the last two weeks of the vintage, enjoying extended macerations. Fast & furious was the ultimate pace of the vintage from beginning to end!

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

95% Cabernet Sauvignon
3% Petit Verdot
2% Cabernet Franc



100% Estate Grown

TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol 14.2%
Acid 0.59 g/100 mls
pH 3.65
Bottled February 2016
Production 13,000 cases
180 - 1.5L Bottles
Released Summer 2016

FERMENTATION & AGING

18 Days Skin Contact
100% Stainless Steel Fermentation

21 Months Barrel Aged
42% New Oak

