



RED MARE WINES

2012 . Red Mare Wines . Napa Valley . Cabernet Sauvignon

The 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon has ripe red fruit jumping out of the glass. Layers of sweet cherry, cassis, cedar, milk chocolate, and clove round out the diverse aromatics. The wine explodes on the tongue with ripe red fruits, while vibrant acidity opens up to a creamy center. Firm tannic structure in the mid pallet leads to a long-lasting and full finish. 11/2/14

2012 Vintage Notes:

After three cool years, the warmer 2012 vintage was extremely welcome. The Wine Spectator described it as "An ideal season," and they were exactly right. There were no emergencies in 2012, no frost, no unexpected or unwanted rainfall, and no out of the ordinary heat events. It was undoubtedly the most gently paced, easy-going season in years. It was the kind of vintage that justifies Napa Valley's reputation as the home of great wines in America. 2012 felt as though we were finally back to normal. After the unusual years preceding it, everyone was exceedingly happy. In 2012, we started to source a small amount of non-Cabernet Sauvignon grape varieties, and the results were captivating.

Vineyard & Winemaking Notes:

We make our Cabernet Sauvignon by hand harvesting as early as we can to prevent excessive alcohol, and as late as we have to for ripe delicious flavors, always with an eye for balance and elegance. You will always find that bright fruit and lovely acidity inter-twined with silky tannins in Red Mare's Cabernet Sauvignon. We source our fruit from organic or highly sustainable vineyards. Once in the cellar, we use old-world methods, favoring technique over additives.

Production: 2,085 cases
TA: 5.89 g/L
pH: 3.75
Alc: 14.8%
100% French Oak
33% New Oak

Vineyard or Appellation Breakdown:

62% Alsace Vineyard ~ Rutherford
12% Crocker Vineyard ~ St Helena
15.5% Hestia Vineyard ~ Coombsville
8% Swickard Vineyard ~ Calistoga ~ Petite Sirah
2.5% Farella Vineyard ~ Coombsville ~ Malbec