



STORYBOOK
MOUNTAIN
VINEYARDS

2019 Napa Valley Estate Cabernet Sauvignon

Winemaker notes:

The same structure, finesse, and purity of fruit that have long characterized Storybook Mountain Zinfandels are evident in our Estate Cabernet Sauvignon. These qualities reflect the estate vineyard's relatively cool climate, its clay-loam soils, and its easterly and northerly exposures. The style also reflects our preference for wines of moderate alcohol, intense, focused fruit, and exemplary balance.

Tasting notes:

Reticent at first, a little air brings forth an effusive nose of traditional cabernet character, with rich blackberry fruit, herbes de Provence, vanilla, and baking spices. Deep, full fruit and a touch of minerals from the volcanic soil of its birth combine with the aromatic elements in a palate that is at the same time complex, supple, and focused. Well integrated tannins provide structure and intensity without heaviness. The finish is full and lingering, echoing the multi-faceted cabernet aromas and flavors as well as promising an even more intriguing future.

Vineyard:

The magic paradigm matching grape and terroir has always been our goal. Since 1994, we have selected the coolest areas and lightest soils as best for Cabernet Sauvignon, lower sections with heavier soils as ideal for Merlot, and appropriate hills and hollows for Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. Different clones, rootstocks and cultural practices provide further fine tuning for each site. The result? As one reviewer put it, "overachieving Cabernet" has joined classic Zinfandel at Storybook Mountain.



Appellation: Napa Valley, Estate

Alcohol: 13.9%

Harvest: September 12 to October 23

Cooperage: 18 months
100% new French oak

Bottled: July 2021

Production: 378 cases