

GAMBLE

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OAKVILLE

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

2023

WINEGROWING INFORMATION

Vineyards/Blocks: Family Home Vineyard, Winery Estate Vineyard

Clones: Cabernet Sauvignon Clone 337

Acreage: 16.76 total acres Family Home Vineyard - 3.7 acres Winery Estate Vineyard (Cairo Block) - 13 acres

Soils:

Family Home Vineyard - young, volcanic soils with rough, softball-sized stones

Winery Estate Vineyard - clay loam with an underlayer of volcanic rock

Microclimate: The Oakville AVA, centrally located in Napa Valley, benefits from warm days and well-drained alluvial and volcanic soils that foster Cabernet Sauvignon of structure and precision. Rocky benchland sites and clay loam parcels together yield wines with depth, firm tannins, and age-worthy balance.

Vineyard Background: This wine is sourced from our two Oakville estate vineyards. Family Home Vineyard, where Founder Tom Gamble was raised, produces fruit with concentration and firm structure. Just a mile away across the river, the Cairo Block at our Winery Estate Vineyard surrounds the winery and yields wines of polished finesse. Though separated by only a river and a mile, the differences in soil composition, elevation, and exposure offer complementary expressions that come together in a quintessential Oakville blend.

VINTAGE NOTES

One of Napa Valley's coolest growing seasons since 1980, 2023 was nearly picture-perfect. A wet winter replenished the soils and a moderate summer allowed the fruit to ripen at an even, unhurried pace. A brief period of late warmth added concentration without sacrificing freshness and dry harvest conditions gave us the flexibility to pick each block at its ideal moment. The resulting wine shows layered dark fruit, firm yet supple tannins, and lively acidity, structured for both immediate enjoyment and cellaring.

Harvest Dates: 10.6.23 - 10.18.23

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The 2023 Oakville Cabernet Sauvignon opens with aromas of dark cherry, plum, cassis, and fig, accented by cocoa nib, warm spice, and subtle graphite. The palate is dense and mouth-filling, with concentrated dark fruit supported by velvety tannins and a composed structure. The long finish echoes cassis and cocoa with a savory mineral note that carries through with depth and clarity.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Barrel Aging: Aged 20 months in 46% new French oak

Alcohol: 14.4%

Barrel Selection: Darnajou, Ermitage, Sylvain, Demptos

pH: 3.84

Skin Contact: 21-23 days

TA: 6.2 g/L

Varietal Breakdown: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Cases Produced: 445