

2014 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

CALISTOGA | NAPA VALLEY

VINTAGE NOTES

The third in a trifecta of near-ideal Napa Valley growing seasons despite drought conditions, 2014 produced wines that showed great varietal and site expression across the valley. Winter precipitation was only half of normal, but heavy rains in late February and early March were a boon, coming just as the vines were waking up and approaching bud break.

Where the 2013 wines were marked more by the vintage, these site-transparent 2014 Elusa wines differentiated themselves early, giving wine lovers a reason to taste widely and explore their distinct character. There is a return to the generous fruit profile we expect from valley floor vineyards, a more classic style with nothing out of place or proportion, and a joyous character that makes these wines easy to pop and enjoy.

VINEYARD NOTES

Our winemaking team transitioned with the 2014 vintage to sourcing fruit from the immediate neighborhood. The Luvisi family has tended their Calistoga vineyard since 1902; Edgar Lantz grows his fruit at the foot of the Oat Hill Mine Trail. Working with both keeps winemaking at Elusa obsessively local.

TASTING NOTES

Napa Valley is, of course, known for Cabernet Sauvignon, but this particular vintage highlights characteristics that make it “Classic Calistoga.” Sourced from a warm vineyard, this drinks like a much younger wine thanks to the polished tannins and highly aromatic properties. On the nose, red fruits stand out in addition to pomegranate and fresh blueberries. As one sits with this wine, complex savory notes appear. Umami comes through - similar to notes found in soy sauce or tereyaki. Ultimately, enjoy the rich, berry notes of this outstanding Cabernet Sauvignon.



TECHNICAL DATA

APPELLATION | CALISTOGA, NAPA VALLEY
VARIETAL | 100% CABERNET SAUVIGNON
VINEYARD SOURCE | LANTZ VINEYARD,
LUVISI VINEYARD
CLONES | 169, 337
AGING | 20 MONTHS
COOPERS | BARON, TREUIL
ALCOHOL | 14.7%
BOTTLING DATE | JUNE 2016
PRODUCTION | 20 BARRELS
WINEMAKER | THOMAS RIVERS BROWN



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