

VARIETAL COLLECTION

Cabernet Sauvignon

2009

Vintage:	First, Inaugural Release
Composition:	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Clone:	7
Appellation:	Napa Valley, Coombsville AVA
Vineyard:	Caldwell Vineyard Estate, established 1981
Block:	11 and 13
Yield:	3.0 Tons per acre
Average Vine Age:	6 years
Vintage Summary:	The 2009 vintage was marked by ideal conditions during the growing season and three rain storms during 2nd half of the harvest season. With no frost pressure, bloom and set were perfect. The growing season was blessed with moderate temperatures. There were a couple of early heat spells during the early ripening season but moderate conditions prevailed through the remainder. The white harvest season was ideal and grapes were picked with no heat stress. There were two harvests for red grapes. For example, the Merlot ripened and peaked before the cold spell. On the other hand, Syrah tested our patience as it lingered into November but we were rewarded for waiting with balanced, classic wines. The berry sizes were average with firm skins with dark, intense flavors.
Harvest Date:	October 24, 2009
Fermentation:	Barrel Fermentation
Yeast:	Natural
ML:	Natural
Wood Origin:	French Oak
Ageing:	18 months
New Oak Barrels:	100%
Fining/Filtering:	None/Filtered
Bottled on:	June 21, 2011
Winemaker's Tasting Notes:	A classic nose of black currant, black cherry, cassis, with hints of rosemary and white pepper. A black cherry attack leads into a full, luscious mouth of black plum, blackberries, cocoa, and hints of anise. The finish lingers with bing cherry, dark chocolate, and a hint of fennel.
Cellaring:	5 – 7 years
Production:	128 cases
Price:	\$90 / 750ml

