

TERRA VALENTINE



2014 SPRING MOUNTAIN DISTRICT CABERNET SAUVIGNON



Vintage:

In spite of the drought and the South Napa earthquake, vintners are using words like 'quality,' 'depth of flavor' and 'excellent' to describe their expectations for the 2014 vintage in Napa Valley. Many are also noting 'perfect weather,' 'abundant crop' and 'good fortune' among the blessings they are counting in a season where Mother Nature threw a rockin' curveball."

Vineyard:

The grapes for the 2014 Spring Mountain District Cabernet Sauvignon come from 3 outstanding vineyards on Spring Mountain. The core of the blend is the legendary Cabernet Sauvignon from the Wurtele Vineyard. The other two vineyards provide the blending grapes that add layers and complexity to the Cabernet Sauvignon. The wine is a true representation of the range of flavors and elegance found in the Spring Mountain District.

Tasting:

Black currant and licorice dominate with Bing cherry and blackberry. Notes of clove, caramel and cedar in the background with cocoa and graphite. Soft coating tannins greet the forward palate with layers of dark chocolate and long and juicy finish.

Bottling: 1380 cases

Harvest Dates:
October 15 - October 30th

Vinification:
48 hour cold soak,
21 day maceration

Aging: 2016- 2025

Composition:

80% Cab Sauv
10% Merlot
6% Cabernet Franc
4% Petite Sirah

Barrel Regime:

16 Months in 100%
French Oak, 60% new