

Harvest & Varietal Information

VINEYARDS: 100% Napa Valley, Rutherford: Morisoli Borges, Beckstoffer George III, Hudson, Carneros: Truchard, Atlas Peak: Stagecoach

VARIETIES: 73% Cabernet Sauvignon, 16% Merlot, 7% Petit Verdot, 4% Cabernet Franc

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The Cain Concept is the ripest, roundest, fullest wine in our collection. The 2012 is a vintage of wonderful ripeness, that epitomizes our ideals of Cabernet Sauvignon grown in the classic Benchlands of the Napa Valley. It displays the aromatic complexity, smooth entry, balanced mouthfeel and graceful finish, which are the signatures of the Cain style.

One of the best Napa vintages of recent history, the 2012 expresses all the warm, generous fruitiness which Cabernet Sauvignon can offer when grown in the best sites of the Napa Valley. It is simply bursting with fragrant aromas of fruit, flowers, tobacco and spice, all layered over a zesty, juicy structure that promises many years to come.

The Napa Valley is justifiably famous for one variety. As diverse and complex as our little Napa Valley is, many good wines are grown in a comparatively small area. But in this valley, there is only one variety that can be called great: Cabernet Sauvignon. Even then there is no more than 10% of the Napa Valley that can grow the quality of wines for which the Napa Valley is recognized the world over. The best known and the most classical sites are the alluvial benchlands which line the edges of the Napa Valley from Yountville to Calistoga. The heart of this all is in Oakville and Rutherford. It is from here that we draw the Cabernet Sauvignon for Cain Concept—The Benchland.

If you know Cain, you know that, while there are many wonderful Cabernets grown in the Napa Valley, nothing else tastes like Cain. The reason for this is very simple: Intention. When many are looking for intensity, our quest is complexity. Where many want power, we strive for grace. The result is a balanced, multi-faceted wine that not only will age well, it keeps us and you interested and refreshed throughout the course of a meal and a conversation with friends. And that's what wine is all about.

About Cain Vineyard & Winery

Cain Vineyard & Winery overlooks the Napa Valley from the top of Spring Mountain. The estate vineyard is planted to the five classic Bordeaux varieties—Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot, and Malbec. We produce three Cabernet blends: Cain Five (from our mountain vineyard), Cain Concept (from the famed benchlands of the Napa Valley), and Cain Cuvée (a "Cain original" with fruit from both the mountains and the valley, and from two vintages).