

CAIN VINEYARD & WINERY

2009 Cain Five: Estate Grown—Estate Bottled

The 2009 Cain Five is in a beautiful place right now. Thirteen years after the harvest, this wine has just begun to acquire that soft patina from bottle age. What began with a vibrant herbal note of the wild "garrigue" of the Cain Vineyard has now melded into sweet plums and cigar box, now smooth, soft, and round. Look for a bit of earthiness and some lovely floral notes of roses and jasmine. This wine works well across the spectrum: from fish to fowl, and all the way to Wagyu. No need to decant.

Varieties: 74% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Malbec, 7% Cabernet Franc, 6% Merlot, 5% Petit Verdot

2018 Cain Five: Estate Grown—Estate Bottled

The 2018 Cain Five marks a milestone in the history of the Cain. It shows best the potential of the Cain Vineyard, what has been accomplished to date, and its promise for the future. The depth and complexity, the subtle aromas of flowers, herbs, forest, and earth, along with the delicate silky texture, all reflect a wine utterly unique in the world of Napa Cabernets—indeed, the Cain Five is unto itself.

There have been a number of milestones in the history of the Cain. In 2020, in the midst of harvest, the Cain Vineyard was decimated by wildfire, and the winery was lost along with the 2019 and 2020 vintages. The 2018 Cain Five is the last vintage to represent the vineyard as we knew it, and all that had come before.

Varieties: 53% Cabernet Sauvignon, 32% Merlot, 7% Cabernet Franc, 4% Malbec, 4% Petit Verdot

NV13 Cain Cuvée

Today, with the exception of Champagne, the blending of vintages has been nearly forgotten and lost, except with the Cain Cuvée. Though the vineyards are the same, no two vintages are ever identical. NV13 is our biggest, most dramatic Cain Cuvée in years. 2013 and 2012 are two of the richest, ripest, most powerful vintages in the past 30 years. Together they harmonize beautifully to create the richest Cain Cuvée to date. Enjoy this now and, easily, for another decade.

Varieties: 51% Merlot, 28% Cabernet Sauvignon, 19% Cabernet Franc, 2% Petit Verdot

Vineyard Locations: 61% Spring Mountain, 39% Valley Floor, 100% Napa Valley

Vintage Content: 60% 2012, 40% 2013