

CAIN VINEYARD & WINERY

2011 Cain Five: Estate Grown—Estate Bottled

The best vineyards can do well even in difficult vintages. 2011 was a late year, but our grapes were just fine on the steep hillsides of the Cain Vineyard, where the yields are always low, the soils are thin, the rain runs downhill, and there's usually a good breeze to dry the fruit. The 2011 vintage is not about power, but about a silky, flowing palate and a gentle, lingering finish. While we always say that our wines are intended for the table, here is a Cain Five you can enjoy on its own. The delicate balance of the 2011 Cain Five is a revelation, with hallmark herbal-floral bouquet.

Varieties: 68% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Franc, 5% Petit Verdot, 2% Malbec



2018 Cain Five: Estate Grown—Estate Bottled

The 2018 Cain Five displays all the attributes that we love about our vineyard on Spring Mountain. 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.

The 2018 Cain Five marks a milestone 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



NV15 Cain Cuvée

The NV15 is a composition of 2014 and 2015, two rather powerful years. In the case of our Cain Cuvée, we're looking for lightness and a zesty mouthwatering vibrancy to accompany a wide range of dishes. However, some years are lighter and some years are fuller...this one is fuller. There's a big chunk of the inimitable Cain Vineyard here: fresh, aromatic, savory. But keep in mind that the ones chosen specifically for the Cain Cuvée will be our lightest, most drinkable lots, often from the coolest parts of the vineyard and usually from the older vintage, with more time in cellar. We build our Cuvée on a base of wines specifically harvested and vinified for the purpose of lightness and freshness. This is a wine of intention.

Vintage Content: 2014, 2015

Vineyard Locations: 70% Spring Mountain District, 30% Valley Floor, 100% Napa Valley

Varieties: 45% Merlot, 19% Cabernet Sauvignon, 18% Cabernet Franc, 18% Petit Verdot

