

1995 CABERNET SAUVIGNON LIMITED RESERVE

Technical Information

While Silverado Vineyards has been producing excellent Cabernet Sauvignon since 1981, only seven vintages have merited the rare Limited Reserve label. The 1995 Cabernet Sauvignon Limited Reserve is the first to benefit from the perfume of Cabernet Franc and the suppleness of Merlot.

Vintage Notes:

A year of extremes, 1995 started with floods. A cool damp spring resulted in late bloom and small clusters. Summer hot spells gave way to a mild autumn and an Indian summer harvest marked by perfect ripeness: yields were moderate and quality high.

September 29 through
October 12, 1995

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

93% Cabernet Sauvignon
5% Cabernet Franc
2% Merlot

APPELLATION

Napa Valley

VINEYARD LOCATIONS

Mt. George Vineyard (85%);
Disney Vineyard,
Stags Leap District (15%)

RELEASE DATE

September 1, 1998

months in 45 percent new barrels of French oak.

Analysis:

Titrateable acidity 6.60 grams per liter; pH 3.54; alcohol 13.7 percent; volatile acidity 0.55 grams per liter.

Tasting notes:

Deep red-purple color; aroma of cassis and blackberry fruit, clove and cocoa, hints of bay leaf and earth; rich fruit and spice on the palate with firm tannins and balanced acidity, full body; long concentrated finish.

Winemaking notes:

Grapes picked at 23.5 degrees Brix; 17 days' maceration on skins; aged an average of 18

HARVEST DATE