



CABERNET SAUVIGNON, NAPA VALLEY 2013



APPELLATION

Napa Valley

COMPOSITION

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

SUGGESTED RETAIL

\$35 \$28 Club

Domaine Chandon produces limited quantities of varietal wines from estate-grown vineyards. These wines are crafted by drawing on its experience with the traditional champagne varietals—Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier and Chardonnay—as well as the grape variety Napa Valley is best known for, Cabernet Sauvignon.

VINEYARDS

This Cabernet Sauvignon showcases fruit grown in our estate vineyards in Yountville, where our winery is located. It captures the terroir of this site, which is situated in the bench of Napa and climbs toward the mountains of the western slopes of the valley. This ideal location features well-draining, rocky soils that create prime-growing conditions for Cabernet Sauvignon with dark fruit flavors, lush tannins, and wonderful structure.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

2013 was a perfect vintage with long warm days and a dry growing season. We were able to sit back and wait as the grapes ripened on the vine and developed complex flavors. The wines have developed the opulence and balanced acidity during the aging process that will allow them to age gracefully.

VINIFICATION

Following fermentation, our 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon spent 22 months in barrels, 100% of which were French oak and 40% were new. Only 34 barrels were made.

TASTING NOTES

This wine opens with a strong, brooding nose of ripe black cherry, ripe blackberry, cardamom and dark chocolate. Dark fruit flavors mingle on the palate with notes of pepper, smokiness and cassis typical of good Cabernet. Its structure is supported by ample tannins and good acidity.

FOOD PAIRING

Begging for grilled and smoked meats, pour this wine alongside grilled lamb shank, beef short ribs, smoked baba ghanoush or simple Sunday pot roast.

SERVING AND CELLARING

We like to serve Cabernet Sauvignon just slightly below room temperature. This wine is structured for aging and promises ever more complexity with cellaring for 10-15 years.

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