

Cabernet Sauvignon
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ROBERT CRAIG WINERY

2021 SPRING MOUNTAIN CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Terroir, the French term for a sense of place that establishes a wine's unique identity, is the perfect concept to describe the qualities of Spring Mountain District Cabernet Sauvignons. At 2000' along the summit of Spring Mountain, the Crowley Vineyard property requires patience and attention to detail. Deep color and the intense perfume of dark mountain flowers are the signature of this wine each year, and we are fortunate to obtain a tiny amount of this exquisite fruit to create a wine with great weight, structure and velvety texture.

This 2021 Cabernet is defined by tiny berries and intense expression of the rocky Spring Mountain soils in 2021. On the Crowley Vineyard, dry farming in conjunction with the ongoing drought produced incredibly small, intense berries with deep color and high tannin count. The tannins are round and ripe, providing a beautiful framework for flavors of deep cassis, menthol, blueberry, iron and forest floor. A huge example of Spring Mountains signature blue notes, with the elegance that is a hallmark of this extraordinary vineyard.



VINEYARD

- At 2000' Elevation, the Biodynamically-farmed Crowley Vineyard is a perfect fit for our mountain Cabernet portfolio.
- Overlooking St. Helena, this vineyard's rocky volcanic soil, varied hillside exposures and moderate climate produce densely concentrated winegrapes.
- The mountain is cooled by afternoon breezes from the nearby Pacific Ocean, creating moderate daytime temperatures and cooler nights that allow grapes to ripen slowly without pushing high alcohol and sugars.

VINTAGE

- In 2021, the vines continued their recovery from the fires of 2020, a situation compounded by ongoing drought.
- Precision winemaking was crucial, especially in mountain vineyards, where yields were down a staggering 60%.
- Our vineyard management team did a masterful job managing the vineyards, ensuring the wines captured this shy-bearing vintage's undeniable charm along with its somewhat brooding dark floral qualities and opaque structure.

BLEND 93% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Malbec

HARVEST DATES September 29, 2021

AVERAGE SUGAR 25.9° Brix

TA 6.3g/L **PH** 3.72 **ALCOHOL** 14.8%

BARREL AGING 18 mo. French oak; 70% new. Unfiltered & unfined.

BOTTLING DATE May 23, 2023

CASES PRODUCED 340

PRICE CA SRP \$118.00