



2006 Robert Craig Spring Mountain • Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

Only 200 cases produced

Winemaker Notes

This very limited production of Cabernet Sauvignon from the Crowley Vineyard is pure “Spring Mountain” in its distinctive purple color, rich wild blackberry and exotic plum fruit, and its substantial weight and body. This unfiltered and unfinned wine is so pure and harmonious that it reinforces Spring Mountain’s worldwide reputation as a source of great mountain Cabernets.

Vineyard Characteristics

Joan Crowley’s Spring Mountain vineyard fits right into our program of sourcing prime Cabernet fruit from the highest elevations of Napa Valley. Topping out at nearly 2,000 feet overlooking the Valley, this vineyard’s rocky volcanic soil, varied hillside exposures and contours, and moderate climate combine to produce densely concentrated, intense winegrapes. Located on the northeastern slopes of the Mayacamas Mountain range above the town of St. Helena, Spring Mountain is cooled by afternoon breezes that flow from the nearby Pacific Ocean, creating moderate daytime temperatures and cooler nights which allow grapes to ripen slowly without pushing high alcohol and sugars.

Tasting Notes

Aroma: A burst of ripe blackberry on the nose is enhanced by exotic plum, cocoa, and creamy cappuccino, overlain with hints of blueberry, iris and a graphite minerality. **Flavors:** Dense, juicy flavors of blueberry jam and wild blackberry are layered with espresso bean, butterscotch, and cassis, followed by a touch of graphite and warm stones. **Finish:** The delightful flavors meld with round earth notes and dusty, fine-grained tannins. **General:** A deeply satisfying and tightly knit mountain Cabernet possessing both balance and polish. Decanting recommended.

Wine Information

Harvest date: October 22

Average sugar: 26.6° Brix

TA: .57

pH: 3.84

Alcohol: 14.8%

Barrel Aging: 20 months in Chateau-style French oak, 70% new and 30% second year

Bottling Date: June 2008

Price: California suggested retail price is \$70.00 per bottle (SOLD OUT).

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