



2003 Robert Craig

Affinity

Napa Valley • Cabernet Sauvignon
Bordeaux-Style Blend

Blend: 83% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Merlot, 1% Cabernet Franc, 1% Petit Verdot
Total Production: 3660 cases

Winemaker Notes

The 2003 vintage has given us a powerful, intense Affinity that is expressive of its Napa Valley foothills origins. Great depth and complexity are hallmarks of this Bordeaux-style Cabernet Sauvignon blend, presenting concentrated fruit, a silky texture, and full tannin structure for long-term aging.

Vineyard Sources

The prime Cabernet source is Robert Craig's estate vineyard and an adjoining property to the south of the Stag's Leap district, in the southeastern foothills. This cool-climate area, known as Tulocay, produces a Cabernet Sauvignon that is similar to the Bordeaux-region of France – yet is very unique in its own right. Additional Cabernet comes from the warmer hillsides near St. Helena, which contribute added structure and complexity.

Tasting Notes

Aroma: Full, ripe black cherry, blackberry and currant bouquet, with black tea and a hint of spice. Offers the promise of deep fruit and further complexity. *Flavors:* Forward, abundant cherry, leading into deep black fruit and cassis that sets the stage for tremendous depth as the flavors develop in the glass. *Finish:* Opens up on the finish with classic, long-lived Napa Valley black fruit, tea and cocoa. *General:* A rich, multi-layered Cabernet that balances power with finesse.

Wine Information

Winemaker: Chad Alexander

Harvest dates: September 28 – October 25

Average sugar: 25.2 Brix

TA: .60

pH: 3.62

Alcohol: 14.6%

Barrel Aging: 20 months in French oak

Bottling Date: July 2005

Price: California suggested retail price is \$40.00 per bottle.

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