



## 2014 District Collection Spring Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon



### TECHNICAL NOTES

**Appellation:** Spring Mountain, Napa Valley

**Varietal:** 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

**Alcohol:** 15 % by vol.

**pH:** 3.73 g/L

**TA:** 5.8

**Barrel Aged:** 20 months in 58% new French oak barrels

### In the Vineyard

The grapes for the Spring Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon were sourced from a single vineyard sitting at approximately 1850ft in elevation. Well-drained volcanic and sedimentary soils coupled with high winter rainfall, cool springtime weather and warm harvest nights lead to a unique flavor profile. Intense fruit flavors and complex mountain tannins best characterize wines from this vineyard.

### About the Vintage

The 2014 vintage in Napa Valley was one of the earliest harvested vintages in years. A warm spring led to early bud break and created the perfect environment for flowering and fruit set. With warm days and cool nights, our team was able to maintain ideal acid levels with optimum, bright fruit flavors.

### Conversations with the Winemaker

All Clone 7, the grapes were fermented on the skins for 35 days with pumpovers twice daily. After native fermentation, the wine was gently pressed, racked and aged for 20 months in 58% new French oak barrels from coopers Demptos and Ermitage. Tightly grained French oak barrels impart their oak to wines slowly for a consistent, well-rounded aging process while yielding subtle oak influences to the Cabernet Sauvignon.

### Wine Profile

Our 2014 Spring Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon opens with aromas of cherry and oolong black tea with savory notes. The balanced palate boasts mineral flavors with sweet black cherry and a long finish. Focused and structure driven, the wine has more tannins and more grip that make this a wine to be enjoyed now or cellared for the next 10+ years.