

MOWE

NAPA VALLEY

2024 Cabernet Sauvignon

Saint Helena, Napa Valley

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2024 vintage in Napa Valley was a warm, generous season carried by exceptional water reserves. A second consecutive wet winter recharged the soil profile deeply, and bud break in mid-March gave way to a clean, even bloom and fruit set. Summer brought sustained heat including an early-July spike but the canopy built by that winter moisture shaded the fruit throughout, and consistently cool nights preserved natural acidity even through the warmest stretches. September moderated, holding sugar and flavor development in balance and allowing tannins to resolve fully. We harvested our Cabernet Sauvignon on September 13th, well ahead of the early-October heat that compressed the end of the valley's season. The result is a vintage of warm-year depth and color with the freshness and structure of a cooler one. The resulting wine is one of generosity but with plenty of backbone.

TASTING NOTES

The 2024 Cabernet Sauvignon opens with brambly blackberry, black fig and macerated black cherry layered with wild sage, crushed lavender and subtle notes of sweet tobacco and dark chocolate. The palate follows with ripe cassis and black plum accented by cardamom and mocha. Fine-grained, velvety tannins provide both grace and structure, while vibrant acidity keeps the wine lifted and balanced. Full but never heavy, with real depth and concentration, the wine moves seamlessly to a long, lingering finish. Unmistakably MOWE — plenty of backbone and freshness throughout, but with a little more generosity in its fruit. Time in the cellar will be rewarded.

WINEMAKING

Grapes are harvested at 24.1 Brix, sorted by hand, then with an optical sorting machine before going to tank for a 5-day cold soak, after which fermentation begins. We utilize gravity flow and gentle practices at every stage of the winemaking process. Philosophically, we believe that wines with more time on skins exhibit better tension, texture and length, so we average 35 days of maceration before barreling down into a combination of new and once-used French oak barrels. The wine is bottled unfined and unfiltered after a 21 month élevage.

WINE SPECS

Winemaker:	Matthew Sands
Varietal:	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Appellation:	100% Saint Helena Napa Valley
Vineyard:	MOWE Home Estate
Harvest:	September 13th, 2024
Brix:	24.1
Aging:	21 months, 75% New French oak barrels
Bottled:	June 24, 2026
ABV:	14.6%
pH:	3.70
TA:	5.7 g/L
Production:	250 cases and 150 magnums