



HILL FAMILY
E S T A T E



2012 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

Production: 1,688 cases

Composition: 76% Cab Sauvignon, 12% Malbec, 8% Merlot, 4% Petit Verdot

Vineyards: Red Door, Beauterre, Holtan, Bardessono, Baker, Hansen, Windy Flats, SCREI, Losey, Knubis & Smith

Appellations: Atlas Peak, Oak Knoll, Yountville, Calistoga

Cooperage: 87% new oak as follows: 9% new American oak (Radoux Appalachian oak), 38% new French Oak (Ingenieux, Orion, and Remond), 31% new Hungarian oak (Trust), 9% Stavin French Oak, 13% neutral French, Hungarian, and America oak

Note: 47% of the new oak was 2014 barrels added at racking in Feb 2014

Alcohol: 15.5%, TA 0.61, pH 3.8

Bottled: 4/9/2014

Release Date: April 2015

Release Price: \$55.00

2012 was a very nice normal growing year after four tricky years, so we were very tempted to get things ripe and deeply colored. We had 23 lots to consider blending at the beginning, but decided on 14 vineyards that would make this the best possible Napa Cabernet. Many intense blending sessions later, to get the proportions working at their best, we have created this beautiful Cabernet Sauvignon that will be enjoyed for years to come.

Winemaker Alison Doran's Tasting notes:

Surprisingly lovely nose with boysenberry, blackberry, toasty spice and a deeper vanilla mocha aroma. Intensely packed with sweet berry fruit, dark chocolate and black cherry flavors. Though exuberant and lively, there is a grace and balance along with the young ripe tannins that promises integration and elegance over the next few years. Tasted 4/9/2015