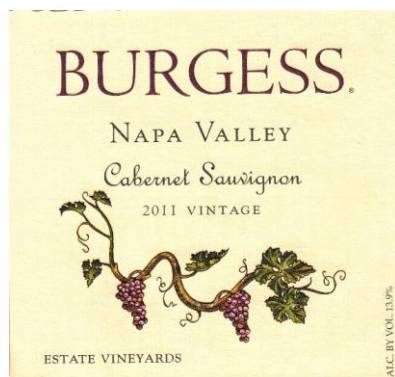




CABERNET SAUVIGNON — Napa Valley



Vintage:	2011
Appellation:	Napa Valley, California
Vineyard Locations:	Burgess Estate Vineyards, Western & Eastern slopes of Howell Mountain
Grape Variety:	98% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% Petit Verdot
Winemaking data:	Alcohol 13.9%; pH 3.7; T.A. 0.61 100% Malolactic Fermentation
Harvest Notes:	September 22 through October 18. Brix ranged from 24° to 26°.

Story:

We make this wine because mountain Napa Cabernet Sauvignon is both unique and elegant. It has been our flagship wine since 1972. Only about 5% of Napa's wines are produced with hillside fruit.

Description:

2011 is a year we can really brag about; we brought in clean, ripe, flavorful fruit with brix measurements from 24 to 26 degrees! Haymaker Cabernet Sauvignon harvest started 22 September and was completed on 18 October. Ranch Cabernet Sauvignon harvest started on 28 September and went until 13 October. You will enjoy the benefits of mountain grapes with this wine!

Ranch and Haymaker Vineyards

Ranch: This vineyard, facing west from the side of Howell Mountain has a slope averaging 22%. The soil is called "Tuff" which is compressed volcanic ash. It drains very well so the grapes will achieve full maturity each year.

Haymaker: The most interesting characteristic of this vineyard is that it faces the east influencing the growth of premium grapes. Because the slope averages about 25% the soil is very well drained, producing grapes that reach full maturity.

Winemaker Notes/ Tasting Notes:

Aromas of blackberry, currant, cassis, cinnamon, cola, vanilla, and cherry are pure and fresh. The flavors of bing cherry, bramble berry, and red currant are fresh and bright with a long finish of dried cherry and cranberry. A gentle balance of oak flavors add body and baking spices such as cinnamon, vanilla, with toasty notes too. Obviously a complex and engaging wine with merit, and a curiosity because of our mountain-vineyard's success with such a challenging vintage.

Cases produced: 6,060
Suggested Retail: \$44.00