

# 2014 FAR NIENTE ESTATE BOTTLED CABERNET SAUVIGNON

NAPA VALLEY, OAKVILLE

Far Niente Cabernet Sauvignon is produced exclusively from grapes grown in the Oakville AVA of Napa Valley. The primary source of fruit is our Martin Stelling Vineyard, located behind the winery at the base of the western hills of Oakville. Far Niente follows sustainable methods in farming and winemaking, and the winery is a net-zero, solar-powered historic landmark building.



The 2014 Far Niente Cabernet Sauvignon blend is 90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Petit Verdot, 3% Cabernet Franc and 2% Malbec. The 2014 vintage was harvested between September 23 and October 16 and was aged in French oak (72% new, 28% once-used) for 17 months.

The 2014 growing season marked our third year in a row with drought conditions. Although December and January were dry, late rains in February through early April helped fill our reservoirs. A warm and windy spring brought early budbreak to the vineyards with fruit development tracking two weeks ahead of normal. The summer months were warm, leading to balanced growth in the vineyard. Temperatures cooled slightly at the end of August just as a 6.0 earthquake hit Napa. Fortunately, the winery—and the vines weathered the quake without any damage. September brought ideal weather with cool nights and warm afternoons. We slowly started picking our Oakville Cabernet at the end of the month, but a short heat wave in early October pushed everything into ripeness. We picked up the pace, and by mid-month we had the fruit crushed and in the tank.



## TASTING NOTES

The 2014 Far Niente Cabernet Sauvignon opens with beautifully lifted spice and black fruit aromatics—clove, anise, black cherry and blackberry—layered with a hint of rich oak. A round, supple entry leads to a silky, smooth midpalate. Cassis, clove, and toasted oak complement the black and red fruit flavors. Fine-grained, age-worthy tannins provide structure to the dark, juicy finish.

DESCRIPTION	VINTAGE	SIZE	PACK	CURRENT PRICE	PRESELL PRICE	YOUR ORDER
Cabernet Sauvignon	2014	750ml	12			

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