

MIRROR  
*Napa Valley*

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

2005

mirror (mir-er) n: 1) a polished or smooth surface that forms images by reflection,  
2) a true representation

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The 2005 Mirror is a classic Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon in style. I sourced the fruit from two famed vineyards in St. Helena and one in Oakville. These are by far my two favorite appellations in Napa Valley, as they tend to produce deeply concentrated wines with a great sense of sophistication and polish. The vineyard sites are meticulously farmed, with well balanced crop loads, leading to a concentrated, yet elegant wine. Each vineyard site brings different characteristics which provide a layering of nuances.

Aromatically, this Cab is an intoxicating blend of black cherry, rose petals, and spice, intertwined with sweet mocha coffee. On the palate it delivers a lush, ripe and richly concentrated core for dark fruits (cassis, blackberries and dried cranberries with a hint of tobacco). Good acidity and polished tannins give the core a balanced framework to focus the ripe fruit. The depth of flavor and structure contribute to a long and lasting finish.

Harvested in mid October, the grapes were de-stemmed and hand sorted to small fermenters for tannin control and improved extraction. The wines were then aged in French oak barrels for 20 months. As a fan of subtly oaked wines, with complete integration of oak and pure fruit flavors, I used 50% new French oak and 50% seasoned neutral cooperage.

We are very excited about the 2005 Mirror Cabernet and hope you find it as intriguing as we do.



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