

# MINISTRY OF THE VINTERIOR 2014 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

## Vineyards

Napa Valley is considered one of the premier wine regions in the world and with good reason: diverse soils, hot summers and cool autumns make it a superior place to grow Cabernet Sauvignon, the region's flagship variety. The source of our 2014 rations was small hand-tended vineyard plots renown for producing fruit with the essential qualities to make a deep and complex wine with acid and tannins that will preserve it for decades.

#### Aging

This wine was aged in a combination of stainless steel tanks and once-used French oak barrels.

## Tasting notes

The 2014 Ministry of the Vinterior Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon broods a deep burgundy color in the glass with flirty purple undertones. The nose is inviting with red currants, blackberries and a hint of blackberry. On the mouth, the wine reveals a sexy mix of black cherries, blackberries, pipe smoke and espresso tightly woven into a matrix of supple and broad tannins that layer the flavors densely and persistently on your tongue. The finish reveals a light touch of vanilla and caramel oak, lingering with a silkiness that invites another sip.

#### **Pairing**

Try this stunning Napa Cab with a pan seared skirt steak served with garlic roasted potatoes and a wilted spinach salad with bacon.

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## Analysis

Varieties: 96% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% Malbec and 2% Petite Verdot.

Alcohol: 14.2% TA: 5.5 g/L pH: 3.75 RS: 3.8 g/L

