

Winemaker Tasting Notes



2013 MALK FAMILY VINEYARDS CABERNET SAUVIGNON STAGS LEAP DISTRICT OF NAPA VALLEY

The 2013 Malk Family Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon represents the excellent growing conditions that the 2013 vintage provided. The wine shows great fruit concentration delivering fresh blackberry and blueberry aromas highlighted by nuanced notes of vanilla spice and Baker's Chocolate. The wine has depth and structure on the palate, but the ample tannins are both smooth and ripe.

PRODUCTION NOTES:

- Winemaker: Robbie Meyer
- Production: 572 cases
- Griffin Vineyard
- Stags Leap District of Napa Valley
- 100% Cabernet Sauvignon
- Harvested in October 2013
- Hand sorted
- 21 day maceration,
- Native yeast and natural malolactic
- 20 months in French oak; 70% new
- Bottled in May 2015
- Wine Enthusiast Score: 92 points
- Robert Parker Score: 94 points



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POINTS

The 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon has slightly more opaque purple color than the 2012, beautiful blue-fruit characteristics, with black raspberries, blueberries, slightly more concentration and greater raw materials. Nevertheless, it's full-bodied and capable of 15 or more years of aging potential with its terrific purity and symmetry. This is a sleeper producer, and I'm happy to have tested them.