

MARSTON FAMILY VINEYARD, LLC
2003 CABERNET SAUVIGNON
SPRING MOUNTAIN DISTRICT
NAPA VALLEY

This sixth vintage from Marston Family Vineyard reconfirms our focus to produce the highest quality wine from our vineyard in the Spring Mountain District that we have cultivated since 1969. The stony mountain soils provide an environment that intensifies the flavors of the fruit while producing smaller fruit clusters and berry size. With our winemaker, Philippe Melka, we hand cultivate & select our favorite blocks in the 40 acre estate vineyard to produce a forever limited amount of only 500 cases of our Marston Family Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon. The 2003 vintage will reveal a wine that will age beautifully and is the best example yet of our mountain fruit.

TECHNICAL DATA

Appellation: Spring Mountain District-Napa Valley
Composition: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Geology: Sonoma Volcanics, Great Valley Formation
Soils: The Boomer, Aiken and Montara Series
Slope: 0-48 degrees, Elevation 1100 feet
Blocks: 3A, 3C, 6A
Rootstock: St. George & 1103 & 110R/Cabernet Sauvignon Clone 8
Barrel Type: French Oak
Barrel Aging: 18 months, 75% New Barrels
Fining/Filtration: Egg Whites
Alcohol: 14.8%
Ph: 3.75 Acidity: 5.2g/100ml
Production: 500 cases
Suggested Retail Price: \$ 90.00

Winemaker Philippe Melka - Tasting Notes:

The 2003 Cabernet Sauvignon expresses classic hillside characteristics; it reveals a profound inky dark color. Intense and focused, the nose exhibits flavors of black currant, violet, acacia, blueberry and minerals. The aromas of stones, berries, wild flowers and earth are packed into a well structured wine with intense structured tannins. This 100% Cabernet Sauvignon should age well and should be decanted if consumed in the next 3-5 years.

Marston Family Vineyard

A hidden gem with a unique location that represents the Spirit of Spring Mountain District, Napa Valley. It is the most southern, easterly facing vineyard on Spring Mountain. It sits alone at an elevation of 1200 feet in a canyon surrounded by forever-wild conservation land donated by the Marston Family. Established vineyard since 1895. Cool afternoon ocean breezes pass through a gap in the Mayacamas, permitting the fruit to ripen slowly and uniformly. Marston Family Vineyard produces a limited quantity of single vineyard, proprietor grown Cabernet Sauvignon made by acclaimed winemaker Philippe Melka. Proprietors Michael, Alexandra, John, & Elizabeth Marston .