

2000 Cabernet Sauvignon Stagecoach Vineyard Napa Valley

Inaugural Release

Vineyard

- ◆ Owner: Jan Krupp
- ◆ Appellation: Napa Valley
- ◆ Clone: Clone 8
- ◆ Vineyard Age: 4 years
- ◆ Site: Mountaintop with rocky, red volcanic, clay-loam soils with southwest exposure.
- ◆ Yield: 4 tons/acre

Harvest

- ◆ Harvest Dates: October 4th
- ◆ Harvest Brix: 26.3°
- ◆ Growing Season: The warm days and cool nights on this mountain vineyard above Oakville resulted in grapes with excellent color, fully developed flavors and great acidity. Cool weather during harvest provided enhanced flavor development.

Winemaking

- ◆ Hand-harvested grapes
- ◆ Fermented in small, open-top stainless steel fermentors
- ◆ 5-day cold soak, 21 days total maceration
- ◆ Fermentation with indigenous yeasts
- ◆ Spontaneous malolactic fermentation in barrels
- ◆ Aged 19-months in Taransaud French oak barrels, 60% new
- ◆ Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered, June, 2002

Notes

- ◆ Deep, red-blue color. Floral notes of lavender and rose petal intertwined with red plum and licorice aromas. Rich, ripe, pure fruit flavors are balanced by a crisp acidity typical of the 2000 Napa Valley vintage. This is a medium bodied wine with good focus and dusty tannins that unfold into a long finish. Alcohol 14.2%

522 cases produced