

Bougetz Cellars

**2008 BOUGETZ CELLARS EMINENCE
NAPA VALLEY
CABERNET SAUVIGNON**

WINEMAKER NOTES

This wine is pretty much all what Napa Valley is about, without the 15% alcohol. Coming in at 13.9% alcohol, you wouldn't know it. Showing a deep purple hue as the wine hits the glass, the nose is full of dark black fruit notes with hints of spice and tea. On the palate, it shows a large, round mouth feel to it, giving you the impression of ripe, juicy black fruits such as black cherries and cassis. Beautifully balanced, as the acidity, fruit flavors and oak notes play harmoniously together. This wine shows a softer tanning structure than its sibling, the Cairn, making it more approachable right now.

HARVEST NOTES

The 2008 growing season started off wonderfully with flowering the last week of May, and a nice fruit set by late June. With loosely developed clusters, the fruit came out wonderfully, even with a heat spike in September. Things cooled down in October with a little rain in mid-October, but there was plenty of sunshine allowing us to wait until October 21st before this vineyard was harvested.



Harvest date: October 30th, 2008

- Appellation: Napa Valley
- Brix at harvest: 27.4
- Crush: De-stemmed, 100% whole berry
- Fermentation: 14-day ferment
- Aging: 20 months, with 75% new French oak, 25% once used
- Alcohol: 13.9%
- pH: 3.54
- TA: 6.9 g/L
- Bottled: July 2010
- Case production: 100 cases
- Winemaker: Thomas Bougetz
- Suggested retail: \$55



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