

J. DAVIES



2022 J. DAVIES CABERNET SAUVIGNON ESTATE, DIAMOND MOUNTAIN DISTRICT, NAPA VALLEY

WINERY

After Jack and Jamie Davies revived the historic Schramsberg property in Napa Valley, their son, Hugh Davies, initiated a red wine program using the family's estate vineyards on Diamond Mountain. Starting in the 1990s, Hugh undertook the replanting of the home property to red Bordeaux varietals leading to the J. Davies Cabernet program; he later partnered with North Coast growers to launch Davies Vineyards Pinot Noirs.

WINE

The Davies family, proprietors of Schramsberg and Davies Vineyards in Napa Valley, presents its twenty-second vintage of Cabernet Sauvignon crafted from the historic Diamond Mountain property they purchased in 1965. The estate vineyards were replanted to Bordeaux varietals beginning in 1994, and the J. Davies Estate Cabernet Sauvignon was first released in 2004 (2001 vintage). This offering is the creation of two generations of the Davies family, the product of an intimate knowledge of this property, reflecting their passion to craft delicious red wine. The wine is named in honor of patriarch Jack L. Davies, who along with his wife, Jamie, revived the Schramsberg property and established the preeminent American sparkling wine house 60 years ago.

VINEYARDS

The 46 acres of vineyards span four distinct pockets at 500–1,000 feet, including Napa Valley's first hillside plantings by Jacob Schram in 1862, the McEachran parcel (1878),

and the Claes parcel (1984). As the southernmost sites in the Diamond Mountain District AVA, flanked by Nash and Ritchie Creeks and forested slopes, they yield late-ripening, intensely concentrated fruit at just two tons per acre.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2022 vintage began with over 20 inches of rain from October to December, followed by mostly dry conditions from January to March. After a frosty spring and some hail events, we welcomed a warmer summer. A record-breaking September heat wave kicked harvest into full swing. This distinctive weather pattern contributed to the diverse flavor profile for which Napa Valley cabernets are celebrated, ranging from vibrant and elegant to dense and powerful.

WINEMAKING

23 months in 53% new French oak

TASTING NOTES

"Our 2022 J. Davies Estate Cabernet Sauvignon has an aromatic nose, with layers of blueberry and blackberry, mixed with black tea, anise, and dark mint chocolate. The palate is juicy, with a cherry mocha entry and notes of raspberry. It has a structured, sturdy finish with a flash of red berry acidity."

- Winemakers JP Pierce, Jessica Koga, Sean Thompson and Hugh Davies and Consulting Winemaker Celia Welch

VINEYARD

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| Region: | California |
| Appellation: | Napa Valley |
| Soil: | Predominantly composed of bale loam and river wash |
| Exposure: | Southern exposure |
| Coopers: | Atelier, Damy, Darnajou, Orion |
| Eco-Practices: | Sustainable, Solar |

WINEMAKING

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| Varietals: | 79% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Malbec, 4% Petit Verdot, 1% Merlot, 1% Cabernet Franc |
| Barrel Aging: | 23 months in 53% new French oak |

TECHNICAL DETAILS

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| Alcohol: | 15% |
| Total Acidity: | 5.2 g/L |
| pH: | 3.86 |