

Cain Vineyard and Winery

Cain Five 2017



Vineyard: 100% Cain Vineyard, Spring Mountain District, Napa Valley

Cain Five is dense and concentrated without being heavy. The key point is that even though it will easily last another twenty years, you can drink it today. If the Cain Five is utterly unique, distinctive in both aroma and taste, this can only reflect the Cain Vineyard, which gives birth to this wine and is both spectacular and idiosyncratic. Composed of the five classic varieties—Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Malbec, and Petit Verdot—Cain Five epitomizes the benefits of blending to achieve a complex wine. It is supple and rich of texture, combining a full, firm structure with a long and subtle finish.

Grape varieties : 46% Cabernet Sauvignon, 26% Merlot, 21% Cabernet Franc, 5% Malbec, 2% Petit Verdot

Altitude : 450-675m ASL

Soil : Sedimentary with significant amounts of clay

Alcohol : 13.7%

Tasting notes :

Focused perfume and satin-smooth mouth-feel.

There is the Cain signature of flowers, berries, herbs, tar—all layered on a lovely earthy background. This is an exotic wine, quite unlike a big sweet Napa Cab. The wine drinks beautifully in its youth. Round, plump, juicy, savory, and yes, even fruity. This is a very complex wine that will reward a long meal as it develops in the glass.

Today, to enjoy this wine in its optimal state, pour it into a carafe or decanter, give it some air and this sleepy giant will come to life!

Press Notes

Decanter

2016, 2010	95 points
2015, 2013	93 points
2014, 2007, 2006	94 points
2012	93 points
2011	93 points
2008	93 points

James Suckling

2017, 2014, 2008	96 points
2016, 2012	97 points
2015, 2013	95 points
2006	92 points

