

JOSEPH PHELPS

V I N E Y A R D S

Cabernet Sauvignon

NAPA VALLEY



1978 Vintage

ORIGINAL NOTES Each of these important Bordelais grape varieties has its own charm, admittedly, but for many a blend of the three often makes for a finer wine. So, it is here, as we've selected the best lots of each available to us from this highly regarded vintage and created a wine with all the depth and power of California's finest, yet graceful in a way that is more traditionally French.

WINEMAKING NOTES

VARIETAL BREAKDOWN VINEYARD SELECTIONS

50% Cabernet Sauvignon
30% Merlot
20% Cabernet Franc

20% Home Ranch — St. Helena AVA
12% Backus — Oakville AVA
68% Trusted Grower fruit
including Eisele Vineyard

BARREL AGING

The wine was aged for twenty-four months in 100% new French oak barrels before bottling.