

# JOSEPH PHELPS

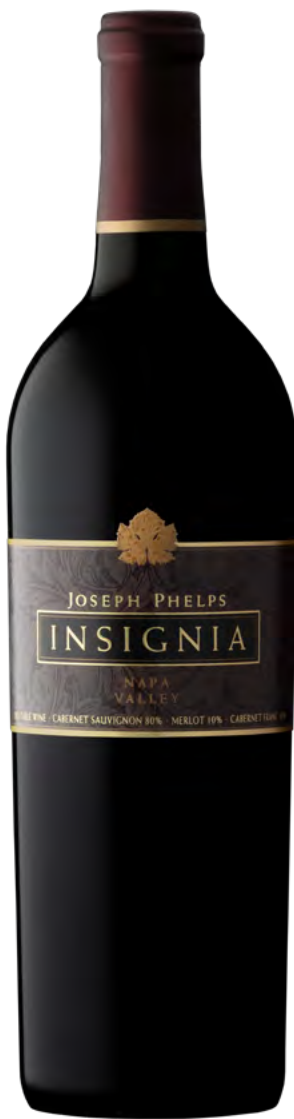
V I N E Y A R D S

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## Cabernet Sauvignon

NAPA VALLEY

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### 1990 Vintage

**ORIGINAL NOTES** It has always been our goal that Insignia reflect not only the unique characteristics of the vintage, but also the regions in which the grapes are grown. Over a decade ago we began researching the best locations for Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, and Cabernet Franc, and found that fruit from the Stags Leap District and Rutherford Bench area was generally acknowledged to be among the best in California. In 1984 we began developing vineyards in both locations, and 1990 is the first year that fruit from our Las Rocas Vineyard in the Stags Leap District has been blended with grapes from Manley Lane in the Rutherford Bench. Each of these premium sites has its own distinctive soils and growing conditions, and combining the two has resulted in a wine with deep berry and blackcurrant aromas and flavors, soft tannins, and a long, lush finish.

### WINEMAKING NOTES

#### VARIETAL BREAKDOWN VINEYARD SELECTIONS

80% Cabernet Sauvignon  
10% Cabernet Franc  
10% Merlot

53% Banca Dorada — Rutherford AVA  
25% Las Rocas — Stags Leap AVA  
22% Trusted Grower fruit

### BARREL AGING

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