

# JOSEPH PHELPS

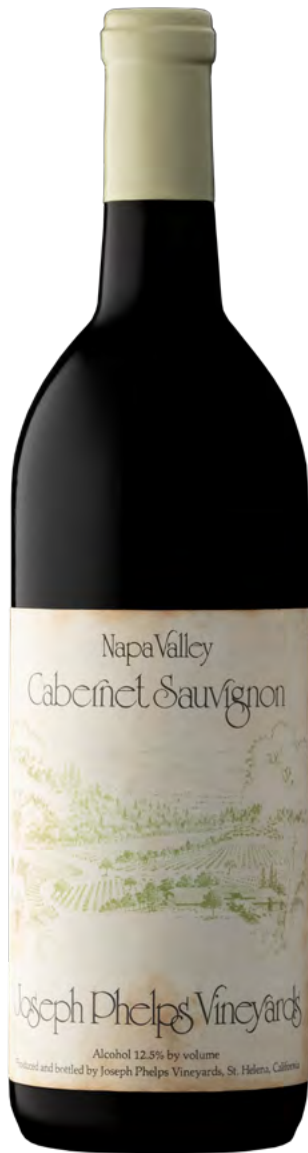
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*Cabernet Sauvignon*

NAPA VALLEY

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## *1979 Vintage*

**ORIGINAL NOTES** This year's Cabernet Sauvignon component is a blend of grapes grown on the eastern side of the valley floor near Oakville, together with the first significant crop from vines on our home ranch in St. Helena. The relatively high Merlot addition has served to make the wine appreciably more forward at this stage, and indeed it drinks well now. The aroma is a combination of green olive and mint, the flavors appropriately fruity, and the finish soft and appealing.

### WINEMAKING NOTES

#### VARIETAL BREAKDOWN VINEYARD SELECTIONS

83% Cabernet Sauvignon	A blend of Estate grown and
17% Merlot	Trusted grower fruit

#### BARREL AGING

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