

JOSEPH PHELPS

V I N E Y A R D S

Cabernet Sauvignon

NAPA VALLEY



1985 Vintage

ORIGINAL NOTES Napa Valley experienced a textbook harvest in 1985, with cool temperatures and slow, steady ripening of the grapes combining to yield near ideal sugar-add levels. Even the most conservative reviewers agree that it was a banner year, and our current offering has the concentrated fruit flavors and superb balance so typical of the vintage. *Connoisseurs' Guide to California Wine* gave it two "puffs" and reported that "Strong and expressive varietal fruit holds center stage throughout the intense flavors, aromas and finish of this beautifully balanced bottling." It's delicious now and will become even more so with age.

WINEMAKING NOTES

VARIETAL BREAKDOWN VINEYARD SELECTIONS

94% Cabernet Sauvignon	29% Estate grown fruit
6% Merlot	71% Trusted grower fruit

BARREL AGING

The wine was aged for eighteen months in 100% French oak barrels before bottling.