

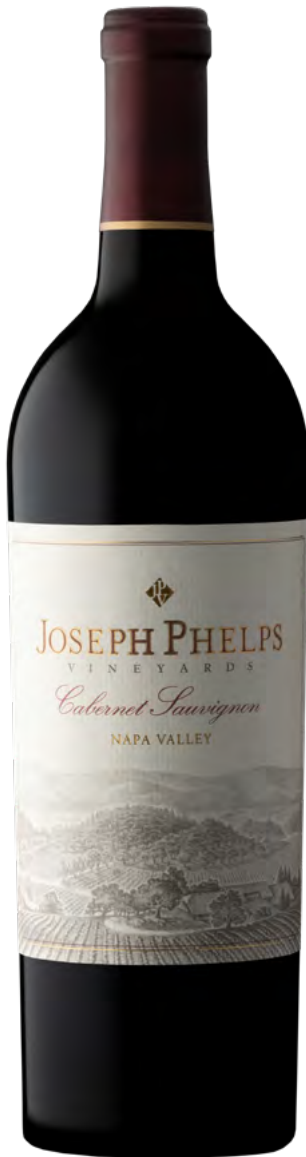
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V I N E Y A R D S

Cabernet Sauvignon

NAPA VALLEY

2002 Vintage



TASTING NOTES The 2002 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon is full of ripe fruit notes of blackberry and Bing cherry with a dash of curry and allspice. The oak is well integrated and helps mold the smooth, silky finish and sweet tannins, which linger on the palate.

GROWING SEASON Consistent warmth throughout the summer, along with 20 days of morning fog for both July and August, resulted in vine development running at full efficiency. In September the weather pattern changed to high temperatures and dry winds. Fortunately, the summer months had promoted remarkably strong color and flavor development, enabling healthy vineyards to withstand the September heat and ripen to full maturity.

WINEMAKING NOTES

VARIETAL BREAKDOWN VINEYARD SELECTIONS

83% Cabernet Sauvignon	48% Estate grown fruit
8% Petit Verdot	52% Trusted grower fruit
6% Merlot	
3% Cabernet Franc	

BARREL AGING

The wine was aged for twenty months in 40% new French and American oak and 60% used French and American oak barrels before bottling.