

J·DAVIES

2019 ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Diamond Mountain District

The Davies family, proprietors of Schramsberg and Davies Vineyards in Napa Valley, presents its nineteenth vintage of Cabernet Sauvignon crafted from the historic Diamond Mountain vineyards they purchased in 1965. The estate vineyards were replanted to Bordeaux varietals beginning in 1994, and the J. Davies Estate Cabernet Sauvignon was first released in 2004 (2001 vintage).

J. Davies Estate Cabernet Sauvignon is the creation of two generations of the Davies family, the product of an intimate knowledge of this property, reflecting their passion to craft delicious red wine. The wine is named in honor of patriarch Jack L. Davies, who along with his wife, Jamie, revived the Schramsberg property and established the preeminent American sparkling wine house 57 years ago.

The vineyard blocks, totaling 46 acres, are laid out in four isolated pockets ranging from 500 to 1000 feet in elevation. They include the two Schram sections, Napa Valley's first hillside vineyards, originally planted in 1862 by Jacob Schram, the McEachran parcel, first planted by Colin McEachran in 1878, and the Claes parcel, dating back to 1984. These are the southernmost vineyards in the Diamond Mountain District AVA. Flanked by two cool creek canyons (Nash Creek to the north and Ritchie Creek to the south) and surrounded by compact coniferous and deciduous forests, the vines here produce late-ripening, richly concentrated fruit with average yields of just two tons per acre.

The 2019 growing season started off with lots of winter rain and cold temperatures. Mild conditions continued throughout the summer with an occasional heat wave allowing the grapes to ripen slowly and evenly. The 2019 vintage delivered high quality with relatively large yields, balanced acidity and superb flavors.



Tasting Notes

“The 2019 J. Davies Estate Cabernet opens with voluptuous black fruit-blueberry, black cherry, boysenberry and plum-accentuated by undertones of chocolate, cinnamon, blackberry compote, espresso, dark cocoa, clove, and subtle herbs. Supple tannins anchor the wine's well-structured palate, with vibrant flavors of red fruit and spice leading to a rich, long finish.”

- Winemakers Sean Thompson, Csilla Kato and Hugh Davies

- Consulting Winemaker Celia Welch

Varietal Composition:	86% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Malbec, 2% Petit Verdot, 2% Merlot
Appellation:	Diamond Mountain District, Napa Valley, Estate Grown
Vineyard:	J. Davies Estate
Barrel Aging:	23 months in 57% new French oak
Coopers:	Taransaud, Damy, Orion
Alcohol:	15.2%
TA:	0.53 g/100 mL
pH:	3.85
Harvest Dates:	September 27 - November 6, 2019
Bottling Date:	September 7, 2021
Release Date:	October 1, 2022
Cases Produced:	1,225 (9 liter)
Suggested Retail:	\$135
Available Formats:	750 mL, 1.5 L, 3 L

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