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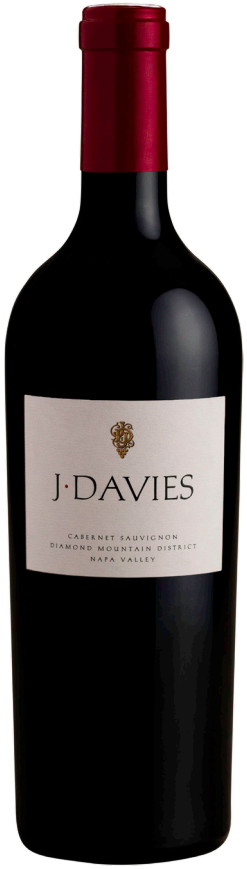
2023 ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Diamond Mountain District

The Davies family, proprietors of Schramsberg Vineyards and Davies Vineyards in the Napa Valley, presents its twenty-third vintage of Cabernet Sauvignon crafted from the historic Diamond Mountain property 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). 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 61 years ago. Six decades later, a second generation of the Davies family, led by son Hugh and his wife Monique, Head Winemaker Sean Thompson and Consultant Celia Welch, collaborate on the production of this extraordinary Cabernet Sauvignon.

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 2023 Napa Valley vintage is being hailed as one of the best in recent memory. After multiple years of drought, we finally had generous winter rainfall followed by a long, mild growing season. The cooler summer allowed for extended hang time and a much later-than-usual harvest. Higher than average yields resulted in vibrant, fresh, and elegant wines.



Tasting Notes

"Our 2023 J. Davies Estate Cabernet Sauvignon features aromas of blueberry and black currant, layered with rich notes of espresso and tobacco. Floral hints of lavender, juniper, and sage add nuance. The palate is generous, with flavors of black raspberry and tart black cherry. A touch of cayenne spice adds warmth, while mountain tannins provide a structured, long finish."

- Winemakers JP Pierce, Sean Thompson, Jessica Koga, and Hugh Davies
- Consulting Winemaker Celia Welch

Varietal Composition:	85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Malbec, 2% Petit Verdot, 1% Merlot
Appellation:	Diamond Mountain District, Napa Valley, Estate Grown
Vineyard:	J. Davies Estate
Barrel Aging:	22 months in 67% new French oak
Coopers:	Atelier, Damy, Taransaud, Orion
Alcohol:	15.1%
TA:	0.57 g/100 mL
pH:	3.86
Harvest Dates:	October 11 - November 9, 2023
Bottling Date:	August 27, 2025
Release Date:	October 1, 2026
Cases Produced:	1,150 (9 liter)
Suggested Retail:	$150
Available Formats:	750 mL, 1.5 L, 3 L

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