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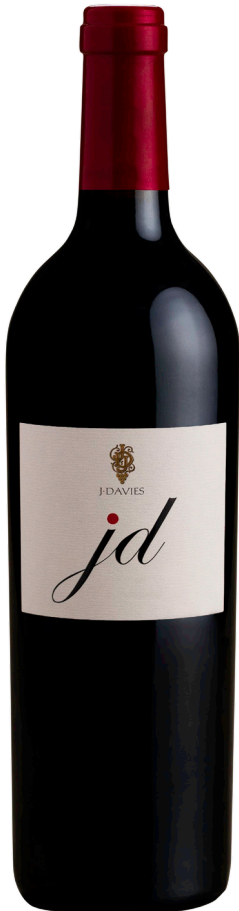
2023 ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Diamond Mountain District

The Davies family, proprietors of Schramsberg Vineyards and the J. Davies Vineyards in the Napa Valley, presents its seventeenth vintage of J. Davies Estate “jd” Cabernet Sauvignon. Like its companion J. Davies Estate bottlings, this red wine is crafted solely from the densely flavored, richly structured fruit grown on the family’s hillside property. Vibrant and approachable as a young wine, the medium-bodied “jd” is carefully blended from select barrels by our winemaking team and released after two and a half years of aging. Bearing the initials of Jack Davies, who along with his wife, Jamie, revived the historic Schramsberg winery property in 1965, it is the product of an intimate knowledge of this place, and a passion to create delicious 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 “jd” Estate Cabernet Sauvignon features aromas of fragrant blackberry bramble and red cherry, layered with notes of fresh mint and herb. A soft, plushy entry opens on the palate with flavors of bittersweet chocolate and ripe açai fruit, supported by juicy, vibrant acid and attractive density. The finish is structured with good tannin tension and a supple espresso-crema nuance.”

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

Varietal Composition:	78% Cabernet Sauvignon, 18% Malbec, 2% Petit Verdot, 1% Merlot, 1% Cabernet Franc
Appellation:	Diamond Mountain District, Napa Valley, Estate Grown
Barrel Aging:	22 months in 64% new French oak
Coopers:	Atelier, Vicard, Boutes, Damy
Alcohol:	15.3%
TA:	0.53 g/100 mL
pH:	3.88
Harvest Dates:	October 20 - November 9, 2023
Bottling Date:	August 28, 2025
Release Date:	March 1, 2026
Cases Produced:	600 (9 liter)
Suggested Retail:	\$80
Available Format:	750 mL