

DAVIES

VINEYARDS

2022 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

McGrath Vineyard
St. Helena, Napa Valley

The Davies family, proprietors of Schramsberg Vineyards and J. Davies Estate in Napa Valley, presents its second bottling of the “McGrath Vineyard” Cabernet Sauvignon from the St. Helena District. Building upon its Cabernet Sauvignon experience with its home property on Diamond Mountain since 2001, and a broad range of other Napa Valley sites since 2012, the Davies team started with McGrath in 2021. Second-generation Vintner Hugh Davies, Head Winemaker Sean Thompson and Consultant Celia Welch have collaborated well together since 2008 in crafting Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignons, and they are very proud to present this unique vineyard-designate bottling from the 2022 vintage.

Situated on the western side of St. Helena, the McGrath Vineyard benefits from the region’s warm climate and ample sunlight, balanced by refreshing cool evenings. Characterized by rocky, well-drained soils predominantly composed of bale loam and river wash, this 3.5-acre vineyard was established in 2001. The McGrath and Davies families’ relationship dates back to the 1960s when Joe McGrath and Hugh Davies grew up as neighbors on Diamond Mountain.

The 2022 vintage began with over 20 inches of rain from October to December, followed by mostly dry conditions from January to March. After a frosty spring and some hail events, we welcomed a warmer summer. A record-breaking September heat wave kicked harvest into full swing. This distinctive weather pattern contributed to the diverse flavor profile for which Napa Valley cabernets are celebrated, ranging from vibrant and elegant to dense and powerful.



Tasting Notes

“Our 2022 McGrath Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon is dark fruited on the nose, accented by cracked black pepper and cocoa powder. Its youthful palate has mouthwatering acidity, with flavors of candied raspberry and roasted coffee. Sour cherry rounds out the finish.”

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

Varietal Composition:	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Appellation:	St. Helena, Napa Valley
Vineyard:	McGrath Vineyard
Barrel Aging:	21 months in 62% new French Oak
Coopers:	Atelier, Vicard, Darnajaou, Sylvan
Alcohol:	14.9%
TA:	0.55 g/100 mL
pH:	3.73
Harvest Date:	September 21, 2022
Bottling Date:	July 11, 2024
Release Date:	October 1, 2025
Cases Produced:	170 (9 liter)
Suggested Retail:	\$130
Available Format:	750 mL