

# DAVIES

VINEYARDS

## 2022 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

*Simpkins Vineyard*  
*Coombsville, Napa Valley*

The Davies family, proprietors of Schramsberg Vineyards and Davies Vineyards in Napa Valley, presents its fifth bottling of the Simpkins Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon from the Coombsville District. Building upon its experience with its home property on Diamond Mountain in the valley's western Mayacamas Range, this bottling represents the Davies team's effort with the valley's southern end of the Vaca Range. 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.

The Simpkins Vineyard is located in Coombsville in the southeastern corner of the Napa Valley. The AVA is tucked up against the foothills of the Vaca Mountain Range, just outside of the Napa city limits. Coombsville wines can be recognized by their structured tannins, which provide excellent power and mouthfeel, along with underlying layers of earth and mineral flavors. The vineyard soil is rocky loam, providing good drainage and low nutrient concentration. Under these external stresses the vines work hard to produce a limited amount of high quality fruit.

Coombsville's temperatures are moderated by its proximity to the San Pablo Bay. Temperate daily highs and minimal heat spikes limit dehydration, preserve acidity levels, and create even ripening patterns. The vines bud early, and the grapes tend to be harvested later, making for a long, slow ripening period which promotes intensified flavors and layering in the finished wine.

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 Simpkins Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon has aromas of açai and plum, with earthy notes of baked flatbread and barrel spice. A pop of red fruited acidity opens the palate, leading to coating flavors of blueberry and vanilla. The finish lingers with hints of dark fruit.”

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

<b>Varietal Composition:</b>	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
<b>Appellation:</b>	Coombsville, Napa Valley
<b>Vineyard:</b>	Simpkins Vineyard
<b>Barrel Aging:</b>	23 months in 80% new French oak
<b>Coopers:</b>	Taransaud, Vicard G7, Damy, Boutes
<b>Alcohol:</b>	14.8%
<b>TA:</b>	0.56 g/100 mL
<b>pH:</b>	3.80
<b>Harvest Date:</b>	September 24, 2022
<b>Bottling Date:</b>	September 6, 2024
<b>Release Date:</b>	October 1, 2025
<b>Cases Produced:</b>	280 (9 liter)
<b>Suggested Retail:</b>	\$130
<b>Available Format:</b>	750 mL