



CARAVAN

2008 ESTATE CARAVAN CABERNET SAUVIGNON

CARAVAN STORY

Caravan shares the pedigree of Darioush's Signature wines, but displays more ripe, saturated fruit with an elegantly textured finish. Caravan Cabernet Sauvignon is comprised of a unique blend with Merlot, Cabernet Franc or Petite Verdot from our estates -- lending more depth and complexity of flavor to the finished wine.

TASTING NOTES

An enticing bouquet of violets and dark cherries introduce the 2008 Caravan Cabernet Sauvignon, a wine reflective of the warmer 2008 vintage. The palate is plush— brimming with rich fruit flavors of blackberry, strawberry-rhubarb and juicy plum balanced by earthy components— thyme, tobacco and bittersweet cocoa. The tannins are firm but well-integrated, while hints of licorice, lead pencil, cedar and vanilla are expressive on the finish.

VINIFICATION

- Meticulous attention to detail in vineyard and cellar
- Hand-harvested into small 28 LB. baskets
- Hand-sorted twice, before and after de-stemming
- Cold soaked for 72 hours in small fermenters

COMPOSITION 88% Cabernet Sauvignon,
11% Merlot, 1% Petit Verdot

APPELLATION Napa Valley

COOPERAGE Aged 22 months in 70%
French oak, medium toast Bordeaux barrels

WINEMAKER Steve Devitt

AVAILABILITY 5,107 cases

RELEASE PRICE \$34.00

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