



MARSTON FAMILY
VINEYARD

2013 MARSTON FAMILY VINEYARD ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

The 2013 vintage marks our forty-seventh growing season in the Napa Valley. We strive to produce a classic, distinctive wine that expresses the complexity of our terraced hillside vineyards along the southern edge of the Spring Mountain District. Each year we select and hand cultivate our favorite blocks of the 40-acre estate vineyard to produce a limited amount of *Marston Family Vineyard Estate Cabernet Sauvignon*.

Vintage Summary

The 2013 growing season started like 2012 with an early bud break. Ideal conditions during bloom allowed for an almost perfect set, and outside of a heat spike in late June the temperate conditions continued through veraison in July and August. As with 2012 there were very uniform clusters, but we found the canopies were more balanced in 2013.

The harvest season began early, with moderate temperatures that shrugged off two brief September rains. The wonderful set and balanced canopy resulted in a more “normal” yield during harvest, complemented by smaller berry sizes and clusters within our average range. With weather cooperating and the ability to pick when we wanted, the resulting phenological ripeness produced excellent quality grapes in 2013.

2013 MFV Estate Cabernet Sauvignon Technical Data:

Vineyard Source:	Marston Family Vineyard
Appellation:	Spring Mountain District, Napa Valley
Composition:	100% Estate Cabernet Sauvignon
Harvest Date:	October 17 th through October 21 st , 2013
Winemaker:	Marbue Marke (2009 – present)
Vinification:	50% Barrel fermentation, 50% Stainless Steel tank fermentation
Aging:	100% French Oak Aging for 19 months
Production:	386 Cases Bottled on May 4 th , 2016
Release Date:	September 15 th , 2016

Winemaker Tasting Notes: “A perfumed nose of black cherry, pomegranate, rose hips, violets, black tea, fresh tobacco, chocolate, and hints of cloves. A blackberry front leads to a full mouth of raspberry, cranberry, blueberry, balsamic, and hints of fresh tea leaf. The floral finish is long and clean highlighting notes of bing cherry and citrus blossoms.” ~ Marbue Marke, September 2016