



2011 CHASE cellars Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

Tasting Notes

A beautiful example of St. Helena Cabernet from our neighbor's Lewelling vineyard, it's at once both ripe and elegant with flavors of dark red fruit, pomegranate, tobacco and licorice. Substantial but fine-grained and integrated tannins carry notes of dried cherries and chocolate well into the medium-long finish.

Vintner

Katie Hayne Simpson
5th Generation

Winemaker

Joel Aiken

Farmer

Jim Munk

Composition

100% Cabernet
Sauvignon

Harvested

October 2011

Bottled

July 2013

Alcohol

14.4%

Production

106 cases

Price

\$50 per bottle

Winemaking

With a 24-year winemaking tenure at the iconic Beaulieu Vineyard, Joel Aiken knows a thing or two about making great Napa Cab. We're not the only folks who think so as he was recently named the "Top 10 Winemakers to Watch" by *Wine Spectator*. The 2011 showcases his talents by presenting an elegant and infinitely drinkable red from what was considered to be a bit of a challenging vintage.

The Hare

Our vineyard is home to dozens of beautiful California Jack Rabbits which we enjoy catching glimpses of, and which we've come to think of as our totem animal around here. Interestingly enough, the hare has significance in almost every culture dating back thousands of years in myth, lore and religion, understood almost universally to represent luck, artistry, abundance, ambition, rebirth and virtue, as well as the ability to lead one into magical realms...