

DUTCH HENRY

2003 Napa Valley

Estate Cabernet Sauvignon



WINERY:

One of the best secrets in the Napa Valley, this small family-owned and operated winery is located on the original Silverado Trail in Calistoga and established in 1992. The winery is owned and operated by the Chafen family who has farmed in the northern valley for over 26 years. Specializing in small lots of single vineyard wines, they have quietly earned a reputation for quality and passion in winemaking, and an easy-going approach to sharing their story with visitors.

Carefully hand-crafted by owner-winemaker Scott Chafen, the winery produces approximately 6,000 cases annually with an emphasis on its hillside Napa Valley Estate Cabernet Sauvignon. Other varietals produced include Zinfandel, Syrah, Argos (a blend of Bordeaux varietals), Pinot Noir, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Rose, Chardonnay, and an estate extra virgin olive oil. Both the onsite Syrah vineyard and olive orchard are CCOF (California Certified Organically Grown).

DESCRIPTION:

This is a big Cabernet with gripping tannins - what the gang drinks 'round the fire after their latest heist. Makes even a grilled rattlesnake taste good. The grapes for this wine were grown by the Chafen family on a hillside vineyard just south of the winery. The wine opens with notes of plum and cherry with a hint of clove in the bouquet and finishes with black pepper and dried herbs. This is a good candidate for your cellar.

SOURCE:

100% Cabernet Sauvignon, St. Helena

COOPERAGE:

30% French Oak

HARVEST:

September 11, 2003

BOTTLED:

July 21, 2005

PRODUCTION:

1,380 cases

ANALYSIS:

Alcohol 14.6%, pH 3.6

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