

Joseph Family Vineyards is a small family-owned and operated producer of classic Cabernet Sauvignon wines. Located in the south-east corner of the Alexander Valley, our vines climb a steep gravel slope above the Russian River valley.

Our vintage 2005 Cabernet was harvested the second week of October. Our notes recall that this was a lush year with lots of rain and a mild, long summer. Generally, yields that year were very high, as was quality. We intentionally, however, cropped our 12 acres to only two tons per acre. As with all our vintages, the 2005 was made in a classic Bordeaux style, with extended maceration (the juice left on the skins for over 30 days) and aged in 65% new French oak for 21 months.

The 2005 vintage is probably our most complex yet, with multiple layers of bright, black cherry overlain with a mocha finish, the result of seamless integration of creamy sweet tannins rendered from both the fruit and toasted oak barrels.



Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, showing the elegance and complexity that wines from that Sonoma County region can attain. Soft and intricate tannins, the wine shows a mélange of blackberry, current and cherry sweet dried herbs and smokey flavors that are delicious now, and should hold well for several years."

Steve Heimoff, August 2008

Technical Notes:

Alcohol: 14.8% Cases produced: 970

Sugars at harvest: 25.7° brix Harvest Date: October 13, 2005 TA: Bottle Date: July 11, 2007

Acidity: 3.82 pH

Winemaker: Scott Peterson Vineyard: Piña Vineyard Management

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