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Southern Hills

C A B E R N E T S A U V I G N O N
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Appellation: Livermore Valley, San Francisco Bay
Winemaker: Karl D. Wente
Alcohol: 13.5%

Origin: In the 19th century, California wine pioneer Charles Wetmore imported Cabernet Sauvignon cuttings from Bordeaux to plant in his Livermore Valley vineyards. The descendants of these vines were selected by University of California at Davis to become a part of their Foundation nursery and are known as clones 7 and 8. Today, the Wente family farms approximately 400 acres of Cabernet Sauvignon vineyards using these two clones with appropriately selected root stocks. With their undulating terrain, meandering Arroyos, well-drained rocky soils, and unique mesoclimates, the Southern Hills vineyards are located in the most desirable settings with exposures ideal for growing Cabernet Sauvignon of distinct character, depth and intensity.

Fermentation: This wine was fermented in stainless steel tank and pumped over twice daily.

Aging: Aged for 14 months in a combination of American, French, Eastern European, and neutral oak.

Description: This Cabernet Sauvignon exhibits flavors of cherry, dark plum and a hint of coffee. Rich, yet approachable tannins provide a long, smooth finish.



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