



# AVALON

NAPA COUNTY

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

2014

Avalon wines are named after the legendary Isle of Avalon, a place steeped in history and tradition. As we craft Avalon, we meld ancient winemaking techniques with modern technology. We combine thoughtful vineyard selection and intuitive winemaking methods to create a selection of wines that are beautifully balanced and effortlessly enjoyable. Savor Avalon wines when you're looking for an everyday getaway filled with relaxation and renewal. Avalon offers the ideal "go-to" wines for every occasion.

## VINTAGE

Napa 2014 – drought, earthquake, hailstorm – what a year! In spite of all, this vintage is exceptional. Yields were down slightly across the state versus the mammoth harvest of 2013. A mild winter and spring led to early bud break and the state was blessed with very few frost days. Summer temperatures were moderate allowing the grapes to evenly ripen. A hallmark of the vintage is the small berry size which led to outstanding concentration. Cabernet Sauvignon exhibits supple tannins, deep crimson color and excellent acidic structure.

## WINEMAKING

Avalon Napa County Cabernet is crafted with grapes grown in select sub-appellations of this world famous growing region:

**RUTHERFORD AVA** Producing world renowned Cabernet for over a century, this distinct terroir adds the legendary Rutherford Dust dark cocoa character as well as powerful elegance.

**OAKVILLE AVA** Situated in the heart of Napa Valley, Oakville lends rich texture, firm tannins and hints of savory herbs and mint.

**OAK KNOLL DISTRICT AVA** Located two miles north of Napa, the Oak Knoll District is one of Napa Valley's coolest regions, often 10°F cooler than St. Helena, fostering grapes with balanced acidity and subtle, integrated tannins.

## SENSORY PROFILE

Vibrant aromas of blackberry and juicy plum mingle with notes of violet and vanilla. A silky texture on the palate frames generous flavors of ripe red raspberry and black cherry. Supple tannins with hints of Rutherford Dust are beautifully integrated with the dark fruit flavors leading to a smooth, lingering finish.

## RECOMMENDED FOOD PAIRINGS

Braised beef short ribs, roasted vegetable tarts, grilled rib-eye steak or aged Gouda cheese.

## TECHNICAL DATA

### APPELLATION

Napa County

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.60 g/100ml

### AGING

14 months in French and American oak barrels, 30% new

### VARIETAL COMPOSITION

85% Cabernet Sauvignon  
15% Merlot

### pH

3.70

### ALCOHOL

14.0%



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