

PINE RIDGE

VINEYARDS

2011 OAKVILLE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

THE OAKVILLE APPELLATION SPANS THE NAPA VALLEY FROM THE VACA MOUNTAINS IN THE EAST TO THE MAYACAMAS IN THE WEST. ITS GRAVEL AND CLAY SOILS, AS THOSE FOUND ON OUR 25-ACRE ESTATE VINEYARD, YIELD CABERNET SAUVIGNON WINES OF EXCEPTIONAL BALANCE AND STRUCTURE.



VINEYARDS The fruit for this wine is grown at our Dos Olivos Vineyard in the Oakville AVA. The well-drained soil and moderate temperature of this valley floor vineyard in conjunction with our attentive farming practices create ideal conditions for the production of deeply fruited and well-extracted Cabernet Sauvignons.

HARVEST AND WINEMAKING The mild 2011 vintage allowed for a long hang time, resulting in evenly ripe, complex flavors in the berries. The fruit for this wine was harvested at an optimal level of ripeness in late September through October. The fruit was hand-harvested at night, carefully sorted and destemmed to tank, where fermentation took place. Then, the wine was racked to 60% new French oak barrels, where it was aged for 18 months prior to bottling.

TASTING NOTES This dark garnet wine presents a delightful bouquet of black cherry, mountain blueberry, rose petal, and bramble that dance among hints of cocoa, dark chocolate, and cedar. Blueberry pie and graham cracker lead on the palate, while deep flavors of coffee, cinnamon toast and white pepper follow. Long and lean, the caramelized finish swirls with toasted, nutty tannins and subtle touches of dried blackberries and baking spice.

PAIRING This smooth yet powerful Cabernet deserves to be paired with a dish that highlights its sweeter flavors while accentuating the spicier elements. Grilled peppercorn-crust tenderloin with blueberry sauce or herb-roasted rack of lamb with lemon-herb salted fingerling potatoes would be excellent choices to partner with this wine, as would a mature, hard cheese like Dry Jack.

VARIETAL:	95% CABERNET SAUVIGNON, 4% CABERNET FRANC, 1% MERLOT
RELEASE DATE:	NOVEMBER 1, 2014
AGING POTENTIAL:	12 YEARS
APPELLATION:	OAKVILLE, NAPA VALLEY
SRP:	\$80
ALCOHOL:	14.3%