

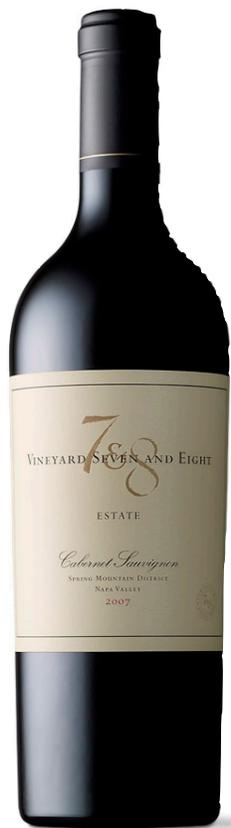
Vineyard 7 & 8

2010 “ESTATE” CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Napa Valley—Spring Mountain District



Release Date	September 2013
Fruit Source	100% Estate Grown
The 2010 Growing Season	The 2010 growing season started with a slightly later bud-break and fruit-set, and no issues of frost. The summer brought cooler than normal temperatures, forcing precision vineyard management. Later than average veraison and a cooler start to the fall led to lower yields. Patience, along with the arrival of a late Indian Summer, awarded us with wonderfully concentrated flavors, and elegant, structured wines.
Varietal Composition	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Harvest	Hand-picked at physiological ripeness throughout early to mid-October
Fermentation	Double hand-sorting, whole-berry fermentation, average maceration of 30–45 days
Cooperage	18 months in 95% new French Oak from select artisan coopers
Alcohol	14.8%
Case Production	650



WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS

"Intense, deep and dark, the 2010 'Estate' Cabernet Sauvignon represents the fourth release of this wine crafted exclusively from our estate vineyards. With the majority of the vineyards planted in the early 1980's, the resulting fruit benefits from a long ripening season. A complex bouquet of blackberry, blueberry and red cherry compote is followed by notes of sweet tobacco, black tea and creme de cassis. Beautiful layers of smoke, white pepper and crushed stone carry through the nose and palate. The creamy texture and mature, silky tannins provide a true example of Spring Mountain's mix of power and elegance. A truly remarkable wine crafted to age for 25+ years or more!"

— Luc Morlet, Winemaker

WINE REVIEWS

93+ pts. Vineyard 7 & 8, 2010 "Estate" Cabernet Sauvignon. Napa Valley—Spring Mountain District.

"A wine that has been impressive on multiple occasions, Vineyard 7&8's 2010 Cabernet Sauvignon Estate is endowed with depth, power and structure. Smoke, incense, plums, tobacco and graphite emerge over time, but today, it is the wine's mountain tannins that dominate. The 2010 needs to be cellared, but it is a beauty. Smoke, tar, licorice and a host of the darker aromas and flavors add an attractive baritone register on the intense, brooding finish."

— Antonio Galloni, *Wine Advocate* Issue #204 (Dec '12)

ABOUT VINEYARD 7 & 8

Vineyard 7 & 8 produces 1,800 cases annually and is located at the top of Spring Mountain. The 40 acre estate, owned and managed by the Steffens family, is currently planted to twelve acres of Cabernet Sauvignon and four acres of Chardonnay. Led by winemakers Luc Morlet and Wesley Steffens, along with vineyard manager Pete Richmond, our philosophy remains simple yet focused: We strive to produce premium, handcrafted wines that highlight a sense of place through experience, passion and humility.