



Iron Series
2013 Two-Iron Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

Varietal Comp:	94% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Merlot
Harvest Date:	September 21st – 27th, 2013
Brix at Harvest:	25.4-26.1
Finished pH:	3.67
Finished TA:	0.58 g/100ml
Vineyard Locations:	Cabernet Sauvignon: Coombsville, Napa; Merlot: Calistoga
Alcohol content:	14.5% by volume
Case production:	392 cases
Release date:	April 1st, 2017

The 2013 vintage was early, even and excellent from a grower and winemaker perspective. A warm, dry spring brought early bud break, created ideal conditions for flowering and fruit set under sunny skies. Other than one heat spike, the vintage continued without incident, allowing the slow maturity of most varietals. The harvest began and finished about two weeks earlier than normal, and a few light spots of rain only served to knock the dust off the fruit prior to harvest in late September. Cabernet from low yielding vineyards in prime locations and “old-vine” dry farmed Merlot combined to make this wine delicious and ageworthy.

These beautiful grapes were hand-picked and sorted before gentle destemming and fermentation in small stainless steel tanks for a total maceration period of 28 days. After fermentation, the wine was racked to small, French and American oak barrels for 30 months to allow mellowing and complexity. It was bottled on March 10th, 2016 released on April 1st, 2017. Only 392 cases were produced.

Cabernet Sauvignon is the king of red wines and the Napa Valley is world-famous for producing big, bold wines of outstanding character. Merlot was judiciously blended to produce a wine of structure, flavor and balance. It will pair with Filet Mignon to hamburgers, and enhances food from the Cart Lady or Snack Shack to the Members Dining Room. This wine will age nicely for a decade or more, but is drinking well now.

“Although not everyone can hit a Two-Iron, go ahead, take a sip! This is one big stick that is easy to swing!”

Deardenwines PO Box 4364, Napa CA 94558 (707) 944-2054 www.deardenwines.com