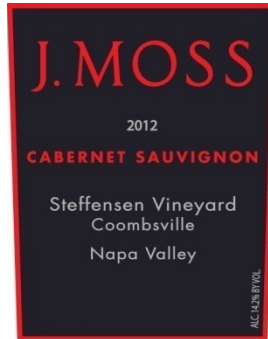


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2012 Steffensen Vineyard, Coombsville Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon



Harvest Date

September 2012

Vineyard Appellation:

Coombsville
Napa Valley, CA

Varietals composition

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Alcohol 14.5%

pH 3.78

TA 5.02 g/l

Aging

24 months on 75% French Oak
& 25% American Oak

Proprietor / Winemaker

James W. Moss

Consulting Winemaker

Julie Hagler Lumgair

The 2012 Vintage

The 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon grapes are from the noted Steffensen Vineyard in the Coombsville District. This single vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon, is produced in the Bordeaux style with 100% Cabernet Sauvignon.

Winemaking

We hand-harvested at dawn in late September 2012 at 26° Brix. Our grapes were picked cool at 48° F into ½ ton bins, destemmed, cold soaked 4 days to gently optimize extraction of tannins, color and fresh fruit, then fermented in small lot ¾ ton fermenters. The grapes were punched down by hand three times a day until dry. The wine was pressed to barrels for malolactic fermentation, then racked into 75% French barrels and 25% American for 24 months elevage, adding complex flavors and lush aromatics. Each barrel was hand-racked four times and bottled with techniques that ensure maximum protection for aging cellar-worthy collector caliber wines.

Tasting notes

A full bodied, age-worthy Cabernet Sauvignon with ample layers of black cherry, bright cassis, hints of chocolate, cedar, tobacco, leather and toasted spices which round out this plush, well balanced wine with substantial, yet supple tannins and a remarkably long, complex finish. Stylish, classic collector's Napa Cabernet. Decant 1-10 years, enjoy 20+ years.