

DAVIES

VINEYARDS

2021 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Red Cap Vineyard
Howell Mountain, Napa Valley

The Davies family, proprietors of Schramsberg Vineyards and Davies Vineyards in Napa Valley, presents its eighth bottling of the Red Cap Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon from the Howell Mountain District. Building upon its experience with its home property on Diamond Mountain in the valley's western Mayacamas Range, this bottling represents the Davies team's effort with Cabernet Sauvignon from the valley's eastern Vaca Range. Second-generation Vintner Hugh Davies, VP of Winemaking Sean Thompson and Consultant Celia Welch have collaborated well together since 2008 in crafting Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignons, and they are very proud to present this unique vineyard-designate bottling from the 2021 vintage.

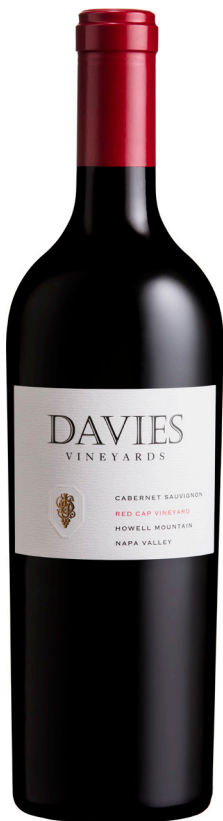
Red Cap Vineyard, planted in 2003 and farmed biodynamically by the Altemus family, is located near the summit of Howell Mountain at an elevation of 1,900 feet. At this location, the Aiken loam and red rocky volcanic soils provide great root support and drainage. These mountain soils produce smaller berries with higher skin to juice ratio, deepening the color of the wine while increasing tannins. Howell Mountain is known for powerful tannins, however our winemaking team skillfully extracts just enough to produce a wine with rounded and balanced structure. Red Cap's position above the fog line affords it a broad temperature range throughout the day. When compared to the valley floor, evening temperatures are warmer and daytime temperatures are cooler, which supports greater acid retention within the grapes. This combination of soil and environmental conditions leads to an extraordinary site for growing delicious Cabernet Sauvignon.

Following a second consecutive dry winter, spring's bud break and flowering activity occurred two weeks earlier than normal. Vines would ultimately carry a light crop in 2021; summer heat spikes nudged the small-sized berries and clusters to even ripeness. Our Cabernet Sauvignon harvest began at the end of mid-September and carried into mid-October, delivering fruit with bright and balanced concentration.

Tasting Notes

"Our 2021 Red Cap Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon presents aromas of Bing cherry, strawberry rhubarb tart, and red apples, interlaced with nutmeg, cinnamon, earl grey tea and rose petal. A fleshy, full entry of blackberry, black cherry and vanilla carries to a generous mid-palate, and is supported to a focused finish with modest tannins."

- Winemakers Jessica Koga, Sean Thompson and Hugh Davies
- Consulting Winemaker Celia Welch



Varietal Composition:	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Appellation:	Howell Mountain, Napa Valley
Vineyard:	Red Cap Vineyard
Barrel Aging:	20 months in 63% new French oak
Coopers:	Atelier, Orion, Tonellerie O
Alcohol:	15.1%
TA:	0.54 g/100 mL
pH:	3.77
Harvest Dates:	September 25 - October 12, 2021
Bottling Date:	July 18, 2023
Release Date:	August 1, 2024
Cases Produced:	225 (9 liter)
Suggested Retail:	\$130
Available Format:	750 mL