



HOOPES



2012 HOOPES FAMILY VINEYARDS OAKVILLE CABERNET SAUVIGNON OAKVILLE, NAPA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA

Hoopes Family Wines are classic Cabernet Sauvignons that capture the pure relationship between grape-grower and winemaker with an old-world-meets-new-world style profile. The philosophy is simple: minimize after-harvest manipulation of the grape so that you can enjoy the most important ingredient in its true form. This is true grower-made wine.

PROPRIETOR NOTE

“The 2012 Hoopes Family Oakville Cabernet Sauvignon is a quintessential Oakville Cabernet Sauvignon. The vineyard, which sits on the valley floor in the nutrient-rich flood zone of the Napa River, is comprised of 30-year-old vines and time-tested cabernet clones that provide fruit-forward, but structured, wines year after year. This wine is elegant and feminine, but bold. We have been growing grapes in this vineyard since the early 1980s, and have been making wines from these vines since 1999. 2012 proved to be a bountiful and luscious vintage.” – *Lindsay Hoopes, Second Generation Proprietor*

TASTING NOTE

“Our 2012 Oakville Cabernet Sauvignon is an exciting for me, personally. Oakville is the heart and soul of the Napa Valley and my favorite playground for winemaking. The Hoopes vineyard site is classic Oakville. Our 2012 offering is a rich, deep wine. It is juicy, with layers of dark cassis, blackberry and cherry, as well as elements of coal, baking spices, leather and graphite. I love how this wine opens up and pops in the mouth with complexity on the nose, but freshness on the palate. This wine follows through to a lovely finish with supple tannins.” – *Anne Vawter, Winemaker*

TECHNICAL DATA

Appellation: Oakville

Composition: 97% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3% Merlot

Barrels: 100% French oak (70% new)

Barrel Aging: 22 months

Fining/Filtration: None

Alcohol: 14.9%

Ph: 3.74

TA: .624

Date Bottled: July 16, 2014

VINEYARD NOTE

Hoopes Vineyard is located in the southernmost part of Oakville, where Yount Mill Road divides the Oakville and Yountville sub-appellations of Napa Valley. The vineyard grows vigorously. Nestled against a hill, and sitting firmly in the flood zone of the Napa River, the vineyard has uniquely diverse and fertile alluvial soils despite the 10-acre size. Farmed and picked by hand, the unique Hoopes fruit receives the highest attention throughout the entire grapegrowing process. The microclimate is very cool in the evening and enjoys mostly moderate heat throughout the day.