



THE WINE: This S.P. Drummer inaugural vintage of single varietal Cabernet Sauvignon is derived from two separate vineyards in the Napa Valley Oakville District. The 2004 Oakville District Cabernet Sauvignon of S.P. Drummer comes from vineyards in opposite sides of the district; one from the east side on the Silverado Trail, and the other from the west, off highway 29. The east side of the district is known for its gravelly alluvial soils yielding highly textured Cabernet Sauvignon while the west exhibits deeper clay-loam soils yielding concentrated and lush wines.

TASTING NOTES: Initially, the wine is characterized by a hint of anise, then aromas of crushed black plums become apparent with notes of cassis, lush ripe black fruits, sweet creamy mocha, and cigar box. Sleek and elegant in the mouth, with the seamless texture of ripe black fruits that is both elegant and supple with incredible length.

WINEMAKING: Vineyards were fermented and aged in French oak barrels separately prior to blending and bottling. Skins were left macerating on both lots for a total of forty days to enhance structure and mouth feel. Consistent with the stylistic design of S.P. Drummer wines, in order to develop mouth feel and textural components, heavy doses of oxygen and multiple rackings were employed in the first year of the aging process. A minimal approach was employed in the second year, with only one or two rackings to ensure continued maturation and natural clarification. The wine was aged twenty-one months in sixty-five percent new French Oak.

Alcohol: 14.3%
Total Acid: 5.1 g/L
pH: 3.81
Total Cases: 200 12-bottle cases.

THE WINEMAKER: Scott Peterson is a seasoned winemaker and consultant with twenty years of winemaking in California, South America, and Europe. Scott graduated with a degree in Enology from the University of California, Davis, and has been a winemaker at Villa Mt. Eden, Conn Creek and Kendall-Jackson wineries. For the last ten years, he has worked as a consulting winemaker with an international clientele producing wines in California for several projects in both Napa and Sonoma counties, while at the same time working in Argentina as winemaking consultant for Nicolas Catena and in Chile under a joint venture in Colchagua Valley. In the same period, he has been active producing his own wines from select Napa and Sonoma Valley sites under the S.P. Drummer and Rumpus labels.