

2011 JAX CABERNET FRANC

JAX VINEYARDS, NAPA VALLEY Our Cabernet Franc crop continues produce nothing but beautiful age-worthy wines. Leaving an inky coating on the wine glass, this wine leads with aromas of caramel, cherry and espresso bean. The palate follows suit with well balanced flavors of sweet black fruit, cinnamon and spices. Cellared properly, this wine will drink well into 2030 and beyond.

THE STORY BEHIND THIS WINE

JAX Vineyards produces this distinctive Cabernet Franc, sourced solely from the family vineyard. Tasting through the Cabernet Franc after aging, there were two barrels that stood out from the rest of the bunch in 2011 . We knew that we would be doing Cab Franc lovers and ourselves an injustice to not bottle these on their own. Only 49 cases of this lovely, drinkable, yet age-worthy wine to go around.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2011 growing season in Napa Valley proved to be complicated and difficult for all vintners. Cool temperatures in the spring delayed fruit onset and reduced fruit yields across the valley. Following a slow growing season, October came with rains and humidity, requiring diligent pruning and further delaying the harvest. However, late October heat gave our fruit the ripening it needed resulting in a balanced wine, with refined elegance.

After spending 22 months in 50% new French oak barrels, this wine is bottled unfiltered and unfined. The Calistoga terroir shines through in the Cabernet Franc's rich aromatics and long finish, all accompanied by the structured tannins and French oak accents.

SPECIFICATIONS

PROPRIETORS

Kimberly & Trent Jackson

WINEMAKER

Kirk Venge

BLEND COMPOSITION

100% Cabernet Franc

APPELLATION

Jax Vineyards
Calistoga, Napa Valley

ALCOHOL

15.0%

