

# BARNETT VINEYARDS

*Spring Mountain District*  
NAPA VALLEY

## **Cabernet Sauvignon** **Spring Mountain District** **2007**

<b>Harvest Date:</b>	October 1 <sup>st</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> , 13 <sup>th</sup> , 14 <sup>th</sup> , 24 <sup>th</sup> , 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2007
<b>Grape Source:</b>	Spring Mountain District (Spring Mountain, Crowley, York Creek and Barnett Vineyards)
<b>Blend:</b>	94% Cabernet Sauvignon , 3% Cabernet Franc & 3% Petite Verdot
<b>Aging:</b>	22 months in French Oak Barrels 65% new and 35% once used
<b>Alcohol:</b>	14.6%
<b>Total Production:</b>	1855 Cases
<b>Release Date:</b>	March 2010
<b>Winemaker:</b>	David Tate

**Vintage Notes:** The 2007 growing season was a warmer one, very reminiscent of 1997. Long hot summer days were matched by cool nights, which allowed the vines and grape bunches to grow at a steady rate. In autumn, the nights were much cooler, but the days were still warm with very little threat of rain. With these perfect fall days the grape flavors developed steadily, loosing any green flavors, but not rushing into any jam flavors.

**Winemaker Notes:** The grapes were sourced from our Estate and from neighboring York Creek, Crowley and Spring Mountain Vineyards. Each Vineyard block was fermented and aged separately for 12 months then blended followed by further aging. This wine was aged for a total of 22 months in French oak barrels with 65% new. The small additions of Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot (3% each) brought up the spice and perfume in the nose and gave the wine a little more backbone and fuller color.

### **Tasting Notes:**

Rich purple in its youth, the wines nose is full of fresh blackberries and ripe pomegranate. There are also aromatics of black pepper, mint and crushed flowers. The weight of the wine is very lush with ripe cassis and fennel on the mid-pallet. The tannins are chalky and well rounded with some bright mountain acidity to complement them. The finish is long and of creamed coffee. This year the wine is much more approachable in its youth, but the wine will age gracefully over the next 8-10 years (2009-2017).