

BARNETT VINEYARDS
Spring Mountain District
NAPA VALLEY

Cabernet Sauvignon
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2005

Harvest Date:	October 4 th , 20 th , 31 st , and November 1 st , 2005
Grape Source:	Spring Mountain District (Spring Mountain, Crowley, York Creek and Barnett Vineyards)
Blend:	94% Cabernet Sauvignon and 4% Cabernet Franc and 2% Petit Verdot
Aging:	18 months in French Oak Barrels 60% new and 40% once used
Alcohol:	14.5%
Total Production:	2050 Cases
Release Date:	January 2007
Winemaker:	David Tate

Vintage Notes: The 2005 vintage was similar to the 1997, where a great balance between quality and quantity occurred. Up on Spring Mountain the yields were still relatively low compared to the valley, but the moderate summer and extended fall allowed the separate vineyard parcels to ripen and be picked at their individual optimal 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 18 months total in French oak barrels with 60% new and blended with some Cabernet Franc.

Tasting Notes: This deeply purple wine is extremely aromatic, with large amounts of black raspberry, crushed violet spice, and cocoa nibs as well as underlying vanilla cedar spice. The palette is rich with ripe cassis and tobacco spice, as well as a dusty black earth character. The tannins are firm and chalky with crisp mountain acidity to balance. More raspberry and fennel linger on the long finish. The wine is very young still and could be consumed so with hearty food, or left to develop beautifully over the next 9-12 years.