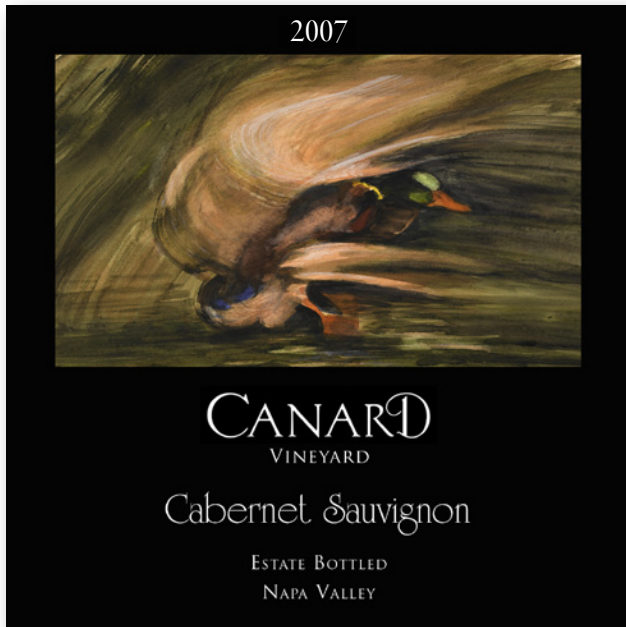


# CANARD VINEYARD – ESTATE

## CABERNET SAUVIGNON



<b>Vintage:</b>	2007
<b>Appellation:</b>	Napa Valley: Calistoga, CA
<b>Fermentation:</b>	Cold Soaked 5 days, for a total of 24 days on the skins
<b>Aging:</b>	18 months in French Oak (40% New)
<b>Cooperages:</b>	Fouquet, Bel Air
<b>Varietals:</b>	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
<b>Alcohol:</b>	14.2%
<b>Release Date:</b>	August 1, 2010
<b>Cases Produced:</b>	985
<b>Suggested Retail:</b>	\$45.00

### VINEYARDS & WINEMAKING

Our winemaker, Brian Graham, believes that the vineyard is absolutely the most important factor when creating a wine. “For me, it’s the vineyard that creates the quality and a wine’s uniqueness. Really it’s all about the vineyards.”

Situated just South of Calistoga on the Silverado Trail, this sustainably farmed vineyard has short cool mornings and evenings with long very warm days. Deficit irrigation and traditional cordon trained vines high above the soil allows for a constant breeze to flow through the vineyard. This environment yields the qualities most prized among Napa Valley fruit.

After picking, the grapes were sorted and de-stemmed into a fermentation tank where they rested and soaked for 5 days. After a warm fermentation the wine went through extended maceration for 7 additional days. Aged in only French Oak barrels for 17 months with neither fining nor filtering.

### TASTING NOTES

On the nose ripe, red cherries and red liquorices shine through with holiday spice, fresh cloves with hints of basil and scented pine cones.

The palate is full bodied with massive amounts of red and black tropical fruits with hints of tobacco leaf and cinnamon toast. Classic Napa cab in style with well integrated big tannins and a very long soft finish. This wine will age very well and will continue to evolve and get better for many, many years to come, 10 to 12+.