



## Hillside Select Cabernet Sauvignon

Country:	United States	Region:	Napa Valley, CA
Type:	Red	Varietal:	Cabernet Sauvignon
Format:	6 x 750ml		

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### TASTING NOTES

Colour:	Inky, midnight colour.
Aroma:	Pure varietal aromas of black fruit, layers of cocoa, black tea and spice.
Taste:	Juicy flavours of black fruit, black tea and subtle toast. A pleasing overall balance keeps the elements together giving the wine a delicious sense of completeness.
Food:	Grilled or roast lamb, duck, beef and game; dishes featuring roasted red peppers or caramelized onions; seasonings of basil, mint or rosemary; aged, full flavour cheeses.

### AWARDS & ACCOLADES

2021 ~ 99 Points. "All Cabernet Sauvignon from specific hillside blocks on the estate, Shafer's 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Hillside Select spent 28 months in 100% new French oak. It's a big, ripe wine, weighing in at 15.5% alcohol, but it remains harmonious from front to back. Deep, intense aromas of black cherries and cassis are accented by dried spices on the nose, while the full-bodied palate is rich and textural, showing tremendous intensity and length on the finish. Based on how previous examples have aged, this vintage should drink well through 2050." - Joe Czerwinski - Robert Parker's Wine Advocate, Oct/2024

2018 ~ 99 Points. #61 of James Suckling's Top 100 Wines of the World 2022. "So much black licorice in this, together with tar, blackcurrants, blackberries and slate. Full-bodied, but very toned and focused, with polish and energy. Extremely fine tannins and wonderful length. All about balance and purity. Gorgeous now, but this will age for decades to come. Great finish. Better after 2026." - James Suckling, Dec/2022

### OTHER INFO

Hillside Select is made of 100 percent Cabernet Sauvignon fruit sourced from rugged hillside vineyard blocks on our Stags Leap District Estate. Truly a "wine of a place," this Cabernet exemplifies the extraordinary richness and suppleness consistently produced in our little valley within a valley. Hillside Select is aged a full four years prior to release (three years in Alliers and Tronçais oak barrels and 15 months in the bottle). While enjoyable today, this wine will gain richness and maturity with up to 20 years of careful cellaring.



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