

92 POINTS

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VINTAGE 2012

VARIETAL COMPOSITION 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

ALCOHOL 14.9%

CASES IMPORTED 715

SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE \$85

UPC 835603006247



CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2012

Estate Cabernet from one of Napa Valley's oldest winemaking families. Flavors of blackberry, cassis, plum, and cherry with hints of coffee, anise, and minerality.

WINERY BACKGROUND: Lewelling Vineyards is one of the oldest continuously-owned family vineyards in the Napa Valley, consistently making elegant and highly sought-after Cabernets. This historic Napa Valley estate was established in 1864 near the western foothills of St. Helena by pioneer winegrower John Lewelling. Today the family, including 5th generation Doug and Dave Wight and 6th generation Haley, farm a 28-acre vineyard on a portion of the original estate.

The family is committed to making wines that showcase the exceptional fruit from this unique vineyard site. Gentle winemaking and minimal handling are emphasized to preserve the natural aromas and expression of the grapes which create some of Napa's most elegant Cabernets.

VINEYARD & WINEMAKING DETAILS: Harvested 1/2 mile south of St. Helena on Lewelling Lane, an alluvial fan at the base of the western foothills. The soil is bale gravelly loam. Aged 17 months in 100% French oak. Bottled unfined and unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES & FOOD PAIRING SUGGESTIONS: Aromas of bing cherry, currant, blackberry, cocoa, vanilla, and baking spices. Flavors of blackberry, cassis, plum, and cherry with hints of coffee, anise, and minerality. Full-bodied with fresh acidity, silky tannins, and a rich mouth-feel. Try pairing with garlic prime rib, mushroom pizza or turkey and herb stuffing



