



The Mascot

This 100% Cabernet Sauvignon showcases the character of Napa Valley's younger vines, capturing the essence of estates like BOND, Harlan Estate, and Promontory.



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NAPA VALLEY



Napa Valley 2015

California, USA

Region and Vineyards

The **Mascot** is made from Cabernet Sauvignon sourced from younger vines across Napa Valley's esteemed hillside estates, including **BOND, Harlan Estate, and Promontory**. Situated in Napa's western hills, these vineyards benefit from the region's warm Mediterranean climate, with hot days and cool nights that support the full maturation of Cabernet Sauvignon grapes. The vineyards' high elevation and rocky soils create ideal conditions for producing bold, structured wines with rich tannins and depth.

Each estate contributes a unique element to the Mascot: **BOND** for power and concentration, **Harlan Estate** for elegance and finesse, and **Promontory** for structure and minerality. The vines used for The Mascot capture the vibrancy of these younger plots, providing a fresh perspective on the terroir while hinting at the evolution of the more established vines over time.

Winemaking

The **2015 vintage** of The Mascot underwent a meticulous selection process, with the young-vine lots evaluated between **6 and 14 months** after fermentation. Only the best lots are chosen to ensure quality and consistency. The wine then aged for nearly **three years in a mix of French and Austrian oak barrels**, with both new and neutral oak used to balance structure and allow the fruit to shine. After bottling, the wine was cellared for an additional **18 months**, resulting in a Cabernet that balances freshness with the complexity of Napa Valley's hillside terroir.

Tasting Notes

- **Color:** Deep ruby with purple highlights.
- **Aroma:** Intense aromas of **blackberry, black tea, and earthy herbal notes** with a subtle floral lift.
- **Palate:** Layers of **dark fruit, such as black cherry and plum**, combine with powdery tannins and hints of spice. The mid-palate shows density, while the finish reveals bright acidity, minerality, and an intriguing persistence.

Alcohol :14,00 %

Composition: 100% Cabernet
Sauvignon



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Did you know?

The **Mascot** project began as a small, personal venture for the Harlan family and their close friends. Initially, the wine was never meant for commercial release but was so well-received that they decided to share it with a wider audience, showcasing the character of younger vines from these iconic estates.

Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Grilled Ribeye Steak:** The tannic structure and dark fruit complement the richness of a ribeye.
- **Wild Mushroom Risotto:** Earthy mushroom flavors pair beautifully with the wine's herbal and dark fruit notes.
- **Roasted Lamb with Rosemary:** The wine's structure and acidity balance the savory, herbaceous quality of lamb.
- **Aged Cheddar or Gouda:** These cheeses' nutty, complex flavors enhance the wine's depth and tannin.



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