



**PLUMPJACK**  
WINERY

1999  
PlumpJack  
Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

*GRAPES...*

the grapes for our 1999 Reserve Cabernet are 100% estate Cabernet Sauvignon and are grown in the vineyards directly adjacent to PlumpJack Winery located on Oakville Cross Road, Oakville, Napa Valley

*HARVEST and HEALTH...*

the fully ripe and mature Cabernet was hand-harvested on October 2, 1999 at an average of 24.2 degrees Brix, measurable acidity of .52 and pH of 3.66

*FERMENTATION...*

after a cold soak of 12 hours, the must was inoculated with a specially selected yeast and fermentation ensued for a period of 9 days at moderate temperature

*AGING...*

our 1999 Reserve Cabernet is the result of a selection process which traditionally commences at the wine's birth and continues throughout its life. The 1999 Reserve is blended from three of our favorite lots at barrel age of 20 months. The wine was immediately transferred to a special group of 100% new French oak barrels where it remained until it was bottled

*BOTTLING...*

the bottling of the Reserve started May 9<sup>th</sup> and continued through May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2001: one-half was bottled in our unique screw-cap finish and one-half with high-quality natural cork

*OUR THOUGHTS...*

our fourth vintage of Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon is heralded by aromas of sun-warmed tea leaves, fragrant dried lavender, semi-sweet dark chocolate and freshly grated sweet spices. The long and honorable heritage of this historical vineyard is classically stamped in the notes of intense black cherry jam and cassis which sound throughout our 1999 Reserve Cabernet. The rich fruit flavors are brightly contrasted by essences of bright coffee, tobacco and cocoa. A lingering, intricate finish is accented by essences of sweet, toasted, smoky oak and a hint of vanilla caramel.

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## 1999 PlumpJack Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon Reviews

**Robert Parker, The Wine Advocate, August 2002 Issue 142**

**89**

“The 1999 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve (608 cases, half with screw caps and half with corks) is a dense, ripe offering with ferociously high tannin levels. If the tannin melts away without a loss of fruit, it will merit 90 points. The style of the 1999 vintage, with its Bordeaux-like tannin structure, suggests these wines will always have abundant tannin. Nevertheless, this 1999 Cabernet possesses pure black currant/raspberry fruit, underlying minerality, and beautiful intensity, but, oh the high tannin! Anticipated maturity: 2007-2025.”

**Wine Spectator, Issue: Oct 31, 2001**

**94**

“Intense and tightly wound, a massive wine with firm band of concentrated cedar- and currant-laced fruit, picking up hints of spice, earth and mineral on a dry, firm, tannic finish. Needs time. Best from 2004 through 2012. 600 cases made. *(JL)*”

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