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WILD BOAR CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Winemakers Notes

The grapes for our Wild Boar Cabernet are often the last to be harvested as they require the entire growing season to reach complete ripeness. The results - and 2011 is no different — is an extraordinarily dense, fruit-filled wine with a generous tannin structure. In order to tame the "Wild Boar" tannins, grapes from this vineyard undergo an extremely disciplined fermentation and aging process resulting in a wine that cannot be duplicated from other growing regions. The 2011 offers up a delightful fragrance of Bing cherry, cola and cinnamon, joined by flavors of fresh-from-the-oven plum pie, red cherries, and vanilla cream. Hints of toasty oak and a spicy cedar quality last long into the finish. As the name would suggest, this is not a shy wine!

All the Facts

Appellation:	Pope Valley, Napa Valley
Varietal:	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Case Production:	380
Aging:	21 months, 80% New oak, 20% 1 year old oak (1/3 American and 2/3 French)
Suggested Retail Price:	\$100
Enjoyability:	Drink now or cellar. Pull the cork until 2022 for optimum enjoyment.

On the Vine

In many respects, Pope Valley is considered the last frontier of Napa Valley. In the early evenings, oak trees cast long shadows over fallow fields recalling the days of wild, untrammeled pastures that once covered Napa proper. The hustle of Highway 29 gives way to a single, two-lane road that rolls lazily across the valley floor. Marked by a single massive Cypress tree, our Cypress Ranch in Pope Valley produces some of our finest fruit. The ranch is blessed with consistent afternoon breezes that funnel down from the Palisades mountain range, moderating the typically warm temperatures of the appellation. The fruit for our Wild Boar Cabernet is from a single hillside block on Cypress Ranch. Bold and dramatic, this vineyard reaches 1200 feet of elevation at its highest point. In keeping with the abiding untamed character of Pope Valley and the marauding boars that seem to enjoy these grapes as much as we do, we've named this robust, highly-concentrated Cabernet, Wild Boar.

