

FLORA SPRINGS

WINERY & VINEYARDS

2008

OUT OF SIGHT CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Winemaker's Notes

Despite its warm, western facing location, our Out of Sight vineyard tends to be one of the last vineyards we harvest—the luxury of extra hang time makes fruit from here highly desirable. In 2008, the long and warm growing season allowed for this vineyard to reach optimal maturity. The 2008 Out of Sight Cabernet Sauvignon exhibits the vineyard's classic "plumminess" with a lush mouth feel and complex finish. An engaging bouquet of violets and black currants is followed by richly extracted black fruit on the palate. The finish is long and elegant, enhanced by soft, sweet tannins. With its impeccable balance and bravado, this wine can be enjoyed early for its youthful brilliance or aged for several years as its depth and complexity evolve.

Cellar Facts

Appellation:	Napa Valley
Varietal:	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Case Production:	377
Aging:	21 months, 100% new French oak
Suggested Retail Price:	\$85
Enjoyability:	Drink now or cellar. Pull the cork between 2015 and 25 for optimum enjoyment

On the Vine

Driving south along the Silverado Trail, the road traces the steep contours of the Eastern hills of the Napa Valley. The surrounding hillsides and low stone walls offer a wonderful vantage point for some of the most desired vineyards in the world. Above the trail, just south of the "Stags Leap District" the Flora Springs family owns and organically farms one of its most cherished properties—Kairos vineyard—and if you can imagine, the view is "Out of Sight."

In 1999, when the family purchased this vineyard, the appearance of the old head-pruned vines more than suggested their years of neglect. Shoots extended from the gnarly old St. George rootstock vines and rested on the soil like thick strands of hair. The vegetation around the vineyard was severely overgrown. It took nearly three years for Pat Garvey and his vineyard team to transform the tired vineyard into one which now produces world class wine. The forever-free vines were trained into a more contemporary vertical trellised system and the surrounding vegetation was cut back and stunted with the use of cover crops to help promote the proper organic matter in the soil. Now, less than a decade later, this organically-farmed vineyard continues to amaze with its expression of fruit and complexity from vines that have been transformed and given a new lease on life.

