2011 | ST. HELENA RENNIE RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Winemaker Notes

After thirty years of farming, experimenting, and studying this three-acre block on the Flora Springs Estate in the southwest corner of the St. Helena appellation, we can finally sit back and enjoy the fruits of our labor. With a precision watering and stress regimen in place, perfectly matched clone to soil selection, and proper row orientation, this block is arguably the best of our 650 acres of vineyard. We simply call it Block C. Historically, the hand picked fruit from Block C has been an integral component of Trilogy. However, in 1997, the Komes and Garvey family selected this lot for Flora Springs' 20th Anniversary wine, arguably one of the greatest wines we have ever released. We now use a percentage of this fruit each year to make our St. Helena Rennie Reserve. In a vintage that required unusual vigilance in the vineyard and cellar, 2011 nonetheless rewarded us with a Rennie Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon that is rich and muscular, with big black cherry, cassis and mulberry fruit along with hints of cocoa powder, slate and a hint of gentle eucalyptus. Full-bodied with hefty tannins, this is a glorious Napa Cab with a long, luxurious finish.

All the Facts

Appellation:	St. Helena, Napa Valley
Varietal:	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Case Production:	360
Aging:	23 months in 80% New French oak, 20% 1 year old French oak
Suggested Retail Price:	$125
Enjoyability:	Drink now or cellar. Pull the cork until 2022 for optimum enjoyment.

On the Vine

The Flora Springs Estate is unique in the Napa Valley winemaking landscape, as the boundary between the St. Helena and Rutherford appellations runs right through the middle of our property—along a creek on the valley floor which winds up through the hillside of the renowned Rutherford bench. The St. Helena Rennie Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon—named for the founders of our historic 1885 winery—is made from Block C on the valley floor, at the southern-most edge of the St. Helena appellation.

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