

## CHAPPELLET

1982

## Napa Valley **CABERNET SAUVIGNON**

PRODUCED AND BOTTLED BY CHAPPELLET VINEYARD, B. W. 4537 PRITCHARD HILL, ST. HELENA, CA, U.S.A. ALCOHOL 12.7% BY VOLUME

## Technical Data at Bottling August, 1984

Varietal Composition

84% Cabernet

16% Merlot

Residual Sugar

Dry

Alcohol

12.7%

Titratable Acidity

6.6 grams/liter 3.66

Total Production

11,800

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A very wet rainy season and cool summer produced a bountiful crop of Cabernet Sauvignon on Pritchard Hill in 1982. The grapes were picked at 22.90 Brix during the middle of October. A relatively high proportion of Merlot that year (16%) resulted in an elegant wine of extraordinary complexity. Descriptors range from fresh cherries and cassis through chocolate, coffee and anise to overtones of herbs and mint. Every mouthful brings something new. A lively acidity lends the backbone the wine will need as it develops. The 1982 Cabernet Sauvignon is already showing nice development in the bottle, making it more approachable in its youth than some of our "bigger" vintages. Enjoy it now and for years to come.

Cathy Corison Winemaker