

Estate expression • Elevated vineyards • Rare

Our Highland Estates wines showcase our estate properties located on mountains, ridges, hillsides and benchlands in cool coastal California vineyards. These limited production, highly allocated wines are critically acclaimed and rare. This series is all about *terroir*. Each label has a pictorial representation of the estate vineyard from which the fruit was sourced. The combination of soil, elevation and climate on each estate is a key contributor to the wine's powerful style.

HAWKEYE MOUNTAIN

2003 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

ALEXANDER VALLEY

ACCOLADES

89-90 Points- Very Good/Outstanding

"Top-notch... dense purple color is followed by a stony, earthy, terroir-driven nose, black currants, high tannin, and a backward, primordial personality."

Robert M. Parker, Jr.,
The Wine Advocate, 12/19/05

Best of Class & Gold Medal

San Francisco Chronicle Wine
Competition, 1/06

STATISTICAL INFORMATION

Appellation:

Alexander Valley

Composition:

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Barrel Aging:

Aged 17 months in new French (65%),
old French (29%) and old American
(6%) oak barrels

Cases Produced: 1,017

Alcohol: 14.3

TA: .59 g/100 ml

pH: 3.57

KEY POINTS

Elevation: 900 – 2,200 feet above sea level.

Source: Alexander Valley in Sonoma County,
100% Cabernet Sauvignon.

Clonal Selection: Mostly clone "4," grafted on 5C and 3309C
rootstock.

Soil: Shallow, rocky and gravelly loam. Steep hillsides,
some are terraced. Low amounts of available
water and soil moisture capacity forces a
reduction in berry and cluster size enhancing
flavor concentration and color intensity.

Flavor Profile: Deep black cherry and cassis flavor with
concentrated mineral and terroirial tones.
Well extracted, elegantly muscular, with
chewy, soft tannins.

Climate: Cool days and warm nights on this
mountaintop overlooking the Alexander, Dry
Creek and Russian River valleys.

