

# Lail Vineyards



## 2010 J. DANIEL CUVÉE CABERNET SAUVIGNON, NAPA VALLEY

### THE PEOPLE

Lail Vineyards traces its Napa Valley roots back five generations to the founding of Inglenook in 1879 by Gustav Niebaum, great-granduncle of Robin Daniel Lail. Passed down to third generation owner John Daniel, Jr., Inglenook thrived under his direction from 1933 to 1964 as he played a major role in the development of the Napa Valley appellation. The winery's flagship wine, "J. Daniel Cuvee", is named in his honor.

*"The 2010 J. Daniel Cuvee has a nose that kicks off with unbelievably dark tones of cacao, blackberry and rich leather laced with red current. After letting the wine breathe the finer aromatic nuances begin to emerge with tones of fresh cut violets and cardamom. The attack is soft and nicely layered with ample body. The grape and oak tannins have married well to bring a fine grained pliable texture to the mid palate as well as considerable weight and density. It's finish is round and lengthy that follows through with pleasant friendly tannins that will bring you back for another glass."*

— Philippe Melka, Winemaker



*"Lail's 2010 Cabernet Sauvignon John Daniel Cuvee bursts from the glass with explosive fruit, firm tannins and deeply pitched spice notes. This is another wine endowed with gorgeous balance and tons of personality, but it needs time to settle down. Blueberry jam, cloves, mint and licorice are some of the nuances that flesh out on a rich, saline-infused finish supported by firm, insistent tannins. With time in the glass, the 2010 gets better and better. **96 points**"*

— Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate



*"Good full medium ruby. Expressive, slightly high-toned aromas of blueberry, licorice pastille, mocha, coffee, black olive, minerals and crushed rock. Youthfully tight but densely packed and serious, with a piquant vein of peppery acidity enlivening the concentrated flavors of currant, minerals and spices. Finishes with outstanding rising length and a firm spine of acid and harmonious tannins. Lay this one down. I significantly underrated this wine from barrel a year ago, when it came across as greener. **93+ points**"*

— Stephan Tanzer, International Wine Cellar

**PROPRIETORS:** The Lail Family

– Robin, Jon, Erin & Shannon

**THE WINE:** 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

**WINEMAKER:** Philippe Melka

**PRODUCTION:** 558 cases

1114 units of 6x750ml and

30 units of 12x375ml

**VINEYARDS:** Howell Mountain,  
Oakville & Dutch Henry Canyon

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