

Lail Vineyards



J. DANIEL CUVÉE CABERNET SAUVIGNON VINTAGE 2018, NAPA VALLEY

ACCOLADES

97-99 Points

“This is a barrel sample of 100% Cabernet Sauvignon from vineyards in Calistoga, Oakville and Stags Leap. Deep purple-black in color, the 2018 J. Daniel Cuvée Cabernet Sauvignon needs a little coaxing to bring out all the gorgeous aromatic layers with black and blue fruit notions of crushed blackberries, wild blueberries, black raspberries and fresh blackcurrants plus hints of violets, dark chocolate, underbrush, black tea and iron ore. Medium to full-bodied, the palate is incredibly taut and minerally with a firm frame of grainy tannins and seamless freshness, finishing long and earthy.”

—*Lisa Perrotti-Brown, MW*
Robert Parker Wine Advocate

WINEMAKER NOTES

“The Lail 2018 J. Daniel Cuvée absolutely sings with the beauty and purity of the vintage, with its bright red fruits (raspberry, cherry and pomegranate), gorgeous texture, and glorious length. The telltale blackberry jam, black cherry, and boysenberry are here as always, as is the ripe and rich demeanor. The wonderful balance belies the power and scale of this stunning vintage for J. Daniel Cuvée.”

—*Philippe Melka, Winemaker*

PARTNERS | Robin Daniel Lail, Erin Lail, Shannon Lail

VARIETAL | 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

VINEYARDS | Calistoga

Oakville

Stags Leap District

BARREL REGIMEN | 20 months in French oak barrels; 75% new

WINEMAKER | Philippe Melka

PRODUCTION | 1290 cases

J. DANIEL CUVÉE STORY

“I was raised by my dad, John Daniel, Jr., in the grand family tradition of Inglenook. He was, like Gustave Niebaum before him, a leader, an innovator, and the producer of legendary wines. Our flagship wine at Lail Vineyards, the J. Daniel Cuvée Cabernet Sauvignon, is named in his honor. My greatest challenge at Lail Vineyards is to create wines that meet and exceed the level of excellence set by my family in earlier generations.”

—*Robin Daniel Lail*