

Lail Vineyards



J. DANIEL CUVÉE CABERNET SAUVIGNON VINTAGE 2014, NAPA VALLEY

ACCOLADES

“95-97” Points

“The barrel sample of the 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon J. Daniel Cuvée (100% Cabernet Sauvignon from the identical sources) exhibits beautiful, sweet tannin, loads of charcoal, a full-bodied flavor profile of blue and black fruits, softer tannins and a more open-knit, up-front appeal than the somewhat firm and more closed blockbuster 2013. In keeping with this vintage character, the wine is very showy, charming and should drink beautifully when released in a year or so, evolving gracefully for at least two decades.”

—Robert Parker, Jr., *The Wine Advocate*

WINEMAKER NOTES

“2014 was another drought year in the Napa Valley, again yielding a crop of small, intensely flavored grapes (especially from our two mountain vineyard sites). As is often the case, this J. Daniel Cuvée is 100% Cabernet Sauvignon, showing off the beautiful energy and purity of this vintage. The aromas and flavors tilt toward the black fruits family, including black raspberry, black cherry, boysenberry and blackberry. It has that creamy, regal mid-palate that is a signature of this flagship bottling, and a perfect balance that should allow it to grow and improve for many years to come.”

—Philippe Melka, *Winemaker*

PARTNERS | Robin Daniel Lail, Erin Lail, Shannon Lail

VARIETAL | 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

VINEYARDS | Mole Hill Vineyard - Howell Mountain Estate, Heimark Vineyard - Calistoga, Vine Hill Ranch Vineyard - Oakville

BARREL REGIMEN | 20 months in French oak barrels; 73% new

WINEMAKER | Philippe Melka

OUR STORY

Our story began in 1879 when Robin Daniel Lail’s great-granduncle, Gustav Niebaum, pioneered fine winemaking in the Napa Valley when he founded Inglenook Winery. Inglenook was passed down to Robin’s grandfather and then to her father, John Daniel Jr., a true innovator and wine industry leader who produced legendary wines. In 1995, after years working with other Napa Valley icons (Robert Mondavi, Bill Harlan, Christian Moueix), Robin’s dream of creating her own extraordinary wines set flight when she and her daughters, Erin and Shannon, assembled a multifaceted team of talent and set out on her own by launching Lail Vineyards. Today, the venture carries forward the stories and patina of over 135 years of winemaking into the 21st Century. The family continues its passionate quest to produce the very finest wines from the blend of its ingredients – the land, the seasons, the winemaking team, and the spirit of the generations who led the way.