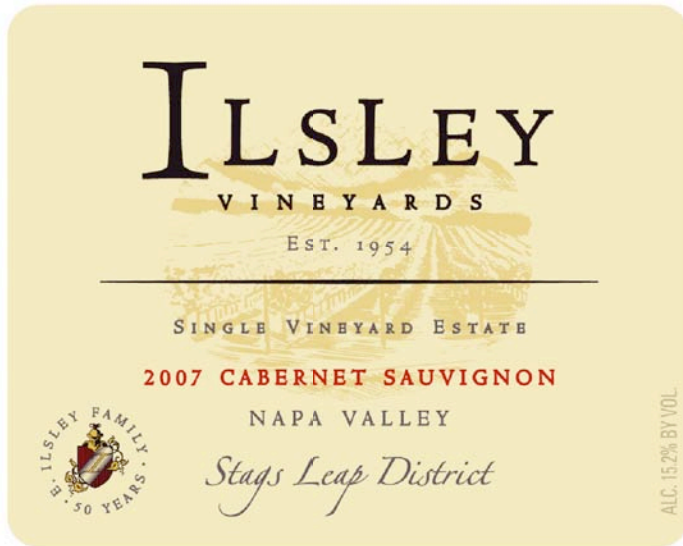


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ILSLEY VINEYARDS TASTING NOTES 2007 CABERNET SAUVIGNON



Vintage: 2007
Appellation: Stags Leap District
Blend: 92% Cabernet Sauvignon,
5% Malbec, 3% Merlot
Winemaker: Craig MacLean
Production: 300 Cases
Harvest Date: September 14 to
October 4, 2007
Brix: Average 25.9
ph: 3.75

As vines mature wonderful things happen; the wines emerge into new and wonderful vintages. The impression one receives from the wines changes, and a whole new level of stellar wines begins. This is the story of our 2007 Stags Leap District Cabernet Sauvignon. This wine has a depth, complexity and texture. It is truly amazing.

Tasting notes

Red cherry, tobacco, floral notes, blueberry and spicy cinnamon attack the nose with undertones of chocolate, caramel, allspice, and brown sugar. Lots of stuff going on. The wine is massive, yet soft with big tannins, lovely acidity and a mouthful of red fruit. This wine has a powerful, rich texture with a long finish. Elegant as always.

Vintage notes

2007 began with a dryer than normal winter, followed by unsettled weather during bloom that caused considerable shatter. Looking at the positive, this meant less fruit and smaller berries, ideal for making great wines. A spike in August temperatures excelled things, met by a cool fall which provided ideal conditions for a very long hang time in the vineyard.

Ilsley Vineyards

Located in the Vaca Mountain foothills of Napa Valley's Stags Leap District lie the ILSLEY Vineyards. For three generations our family has provided grapes for some of Napa Valley's finest wines. Now after fifty years of farming, we have hand-selected grapes from our hillside vineyards to produce our own Cabernet Sauvignon that we believe captures the essence of the Stags Leap District.

We are proud of our vineyards and the fruit that they bear.



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