Robert Keenan Winery

2003 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

The 2003 Cabernet Sauvignon is composed primarily of grapes grown on Keenan's Spring Mountain District Estate; the remainder of the fruit was harvested from select vineyards within the Napa Valley.

Keenan's Estate Cabernet Sauvignon grapes were harvested beginning on September 26th, with the final lot being picked on October 8th. After harvest, the fruit clusters were de-stemmed, then fermented for ten to fourteen days. The wine was barrel aged in thirty-three percent new French and American oak for twenty months.

The blend was assembled just before bottling. The Estate grown Cabernet imparts amazing concentration and remarkable structure, while the portion of Cabernet harvested from the Pope Valley region of Napa has added complex aromas and a balanced mid-palate. Merlot from the Napa Carneros district imparted ripe berry nuances and plenty of forward fruit.

Wine and Spirits

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"The fresh fruit in the middle of this wine has a lovely sweetness, like Chinese spiced plums.
The earthy tannins that surround it have a touch of bitterness and an herbal edge.
This is a solidly built mountain cabernet, needing age to mellow its tannin."

Wine Data:

Alcohol:	14.3%
Total Acidity:	0.58 grams/100 mL
pH:	3.64
Residual Sugar:	Dry
Bottling Date:	August 23, 2005
Production:	3,075 Cases
Blend:	95% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Merlot
Vinyard Sources:	69% Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 26% Pope Valley Cab. Sauvignon 5% Merlot Napa Carneros

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