

BARBOUR VINEYARDS



2005 Barbour Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon

Winemaker:	Heidi Barrett
Vineyard:	Barbour Vineyard
Appellation:	St. Helena, Napa Valley
Varietal:	97% Cabernet Sauvignon 3% Cabernet Franc
Barrel Aging:	20 months in 60% new French oak
Production:	500 cases

about The Wine

This dense colored Cabernet Sauvignon offers a terrific nose of plums, cherry liqueur, cassis and subtle new oak. It is beautifully pure, with lots of fruit, low but adequate supporting acidity, and plenty of ripe tannin in the finish.

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Barbour Vineyard is located southwest of St. Helena. The area benefits from lingering warm air reflecting off the western hillside that is tempered by mild marine winds in the evening. It's gravelly and loamy soils are the perfect environment for growing grapes with a good balance of acid and sugar.

When planting his vineyard in 1992, Jim selected Clone 7 bud wood from Grace Family Vineyards, a vineyard he developed many years ago. The first harvest was in 1995 and yielded a mere three-quarters of a ton and 50 cases of Cabernet.

Barbour Vineyard is sustainably farmed and maintained with no irrigation. Jim usually harvests only one to two tons-per-acre, producing well-balanced fruit with concentrated flavors.