



2014 Brenda's Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon

94 points

This 100% Cabernet Sauvignon from Winery Ranch in Stags Leap District was aged for 20 months in 85% new French oak. Tasted on 9 September 2024, it shows a deep ruby colour in the glass, with notes of baked cherries, graphite, toasty cedarwood, and a hint of grapefruit zest. Medium to full-bodied, it features accents of underbrush and pine forest, firm, taut tannins, and salty-sweet minerality on the extended finish. Quite approachable, with plenty of cellaring potential ahead.



2014 Ruppert Cabernet Sauvignon

93 points

A 100% Cabernet Sauvignon from a site in Coombsville, aged for 20 months in 80% new French oak. The ripest of the three Baldacci wines was sampled in early September 2024 during a tasting of 2014 vintage Napa Cabernets at the Napa Valley Vintners in St. Helena. Richly earthy, it offers notes of baked plums, cherries, cola spices, tanned leather, sandalwood, and white pepper. Full-bodied, with well-integrated chalky tannins and a finish laden with salted dark chocolate and loamy earth.



2014 Calistoga Cabernet Sauvignon

91 points

From the 7-hectare Stella Knight Vineyard in Calistoga, this 100% Cabernet Sauvignon is aged for 20 months in 60% new French oak barrels. At 10 years of age, it is in a fantastic place, displaying notes of black cherry, graphite, and baked terra cotta. Medium to full-bodied, it offers pomegranate seed-like tannins, blackcurrants, and cassis, leading to a dried sagebrush finish.