
AXIOS

NAPA VALLEY

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Cabernet Sauvignon
2013

BACKGROUND

A powerhouse collaboration between proprietor Gus Kalaris and winemaker Bob Egelhoff. The result - a super premium Cabernet Sauvignon of Napa Valley "cult" status. "Axios", meaning worthy in Greek, reflects Gus' vision to craft a wine of Bordeaux influence that represents the richness of its' Napa Valley origin. Axios has been served at multiple receptions hosted by Presidents Bush and Obama at the White House, as well as, the chosen wine for all events during the Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew's historic visit to the States.

APPELLATION

Napa Valley

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

TOTAL PRODUCTION

500 cases

ALCOHOL PERCENTAGE

14.4%

COOPERAGE/AGING

60 gallon French Oak barrels
(70% new) for 22 months

"The 2013 looks to be the finest Axios since the 2007, 2006, 2002 and 2001, all wines I rated in the mid- to upper-90s. Also 100% Cabernet Sauvignon, this wine has a dense purple color and a beautiful nose of blueberry and blackberry fruit along with some graphite, violets, and background toasty oak. It is slightly higher in alcohol than its siblings at 14.5%. It is a beauty -- multi-layered, textured and full-bodied, with sweet tannin and nicely integrated acidity, wood, alcohol and tannin. Drink it over the next 20-25 years."

96 Points - Robert Parker

Wine Advocate

"With a nose of summer ripe blackberry, sweet figs, and espresso, this 100% Cabernet Sauvignon points to a powerhouse plate. Melting dark chocolate is luxurious, surrounded by sweet earth, caramel-dates, slate, and a meaty texture."

94 Points - The Tasting Panel

