



CLUB 70
2nd Quarter 2015 - June

Cade 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon Retail - \$69

CADE Estate Winery crafts estate Cabernet Sauvignon in a nuanced, powerful, and approachable style titled "Modern Howell Mountain". CADE's goal with this style is to make wines that are dense, rich, and age-worthy but not rustic or tannic. Howell Mountain terroir is so unique that winemakers had to step back and rethink everything about winemaking from the vineyard to the cellar. CADE wines reflect the power of their terroir with one-of-a-kind approachability.

The stellar 2012 vintage was made from some of Napa's most renowned vineyards: Kenefick Ranch Vineyards in Calistoga, Beckstoffer's Melrose Vineyard in Rutherford, Hanson-Hsieh Vineyard in Oak Knoll, among others. The growing season was ideal with summer and fall temperatures in the mid 80's.

This wine has an incredible color, aromas of chocolate covered cherries, rose, raspberries, blueberry, and coco nibs. The palate is dense, rich, and thick. It has integrated tannins that are balanced and velvety in texture. The wine finishes with flavors of graham cracker, roasted marshmallow, berry compote, vanilla, coffee, and cassis.

Composition: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon; 92 points from Robert Parker

Goldeneye 2012 Ten Degrees Pinot Noir Retail - \$120

Goldeneye's estate program consists of 200 acres and more than 96 individual blocks of Pinot Noir with 49 unique combinations of clone and rootstock material. The name Ten Degrees pays homage to the unique, cool climate of the Anderson Valley and the fact that even though four estate vineyards span a modest eight miles, they often display a temperature variance of as much as 10 degrees from The Narrows Vineyard in the cool "deep end" to the Confluence Vineyard in the south.

Embodying the best of the best from the estate program, this stunning wine combines the lithe, elegant red fruit, conifer notes and silky tannins of the Confluence Vineyard, the opulent dark fruit, leather and spice of the Gowan Creek Vineyard, the structural elements and wild berry and cracked pepper notes of Split Rail, with the vivid blue fruit, earth and lavender character of The Narrows. Supple, super complex and supported by sweet and toasty French oak flavors, this is a profound and powerful expression of Pinot Noir. One of my favorites!

Composition: 100% Pinot Noir; Cooperage: 100% New French oak

- Bert