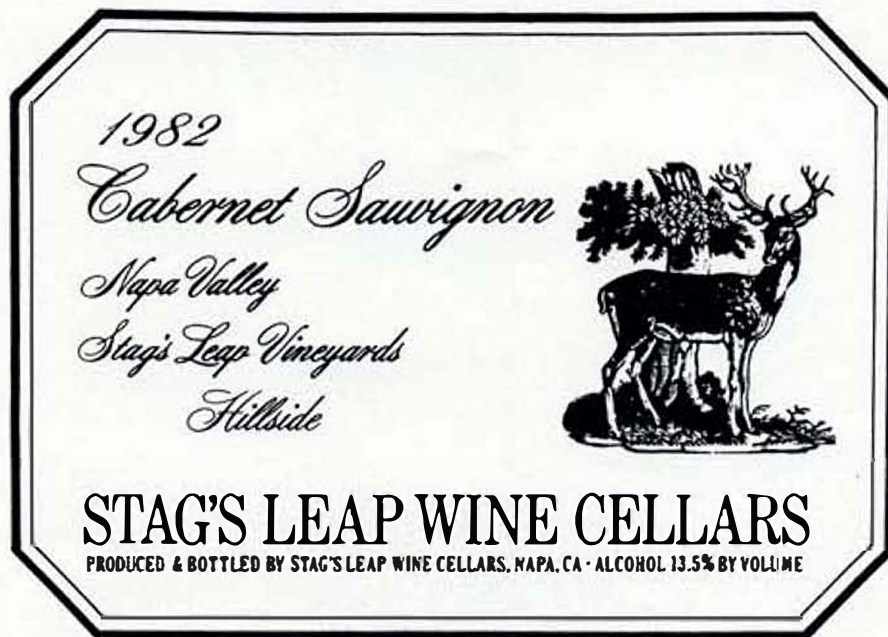


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The generous reception given our 1981 Cabernet Sauvignon from Stag's Leap Vineyard left us without enough wine to fill the high demand. We are pleased to release our 1982 Cabernet Sauvignon, Stag's Leap Vineyards so that you will not have to be without this estate-bottled wine.

The terms widely used to describe the Cabernets from Stag's Leap Vineyards refer mostly to the combination of the qualities of iron and velvet. "The iron fist in the velvet glove" has often been said to describe our wines. Our 1981 Cabernet represented to a great extent the predominance of the qualities of velvet. In the 1982 Cabernet, though both velvet and iron are in harmonious voice together, the iron is dominant. The color is a deep, glowing announcement to the complex Cabernet bouquet. Even in the nose there is a certain sturdiness suggested by the fruit. The mouth feel is smoothly structured and lively with great flavor interest. The wine finishes with length and continuity, suggesting an agreeable completeness appropriate to its weight.

The very enthusiasm for the 1981 and its velvet can be expected to be complemented in the response to the brother iron in the 1982. In addition, unlike the 1981, there will be a Cask 23 lot for 1982. This is being held for further aging and will be released later.



Stag's Leap Wine Cellars 1982 SLV Hillside Cabernet Sauvignon

Harvest Dates	10/10/82
Harvest °Brix	24.5°
Initial Acid	0.77 g/100 ml
Initial pH	3.42
Fermentation	Tank Fermented
Malolactic	100%
Barrel Aging	13 months
Barrel Type	60 gal FOB
Appellation	100% Napa Valley
Composition	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Alcohol	13.4%
Acid	0.60 g/100 ml
pH	3.59
Residual Sugar	Dry
Date Bottled	2/20/85-2/25/85
Case Production	1398 cases, 159 1.5 liter cases, 25 3.0 liter bottles, 7 5.0 liter bottles
	7 6.0 ltr bott., 7 9.0 ltr bott., 7 12 liter bottles.
Release Date	10/86