

Keenan



Napa Valley  
Spring Mountain District

## 2008 Cabernet Franc, Spring Mountain District

### TASTING NOTES

This wine was produced exclusively from grapes grown on the Keenan Estate located in Napa Valley's Spring Mountain District. Our two blocks of Cabernet Franc were harvested on October 1st and October 10th, 2008. The fruit was hand-picked then, after de-stemming, the must was inoculated with Montrachet yeast and fermented in stainless steel tanks. The wine aged in French and American oak barrels for twenty months.

"Freakishly good" is how we have come to describe this single vineyard Cabernet Franc from our highest elevation vineyard (approx. 2000') aptly named the "Upper Bowl". Cabernet Franc is simply not supposed to be this delicious. Enjoy now or decades from now.

### REVIEWS

Robert M. Parker, Jr.'s, *The Wine Advocate*, Issue # 192 December, 2010

**94 Points** "The 2008 Cabernet Franc (100% Cabernet Franc from estate vineyard planted at a 2000 foot elevation) now represents 525 cases. Cabernet Franc has performed brilliantly at this height, and this is another example of the potential of Spring Mountain. This dense purple-hued wine is richly fruity with a beautiful floral, blueberry, raspberry and black currant-scented nose, good underlying minerality and a gorgeous fruit intensity without any sense of heaviness (14.3% alcohol). Elegant, pure and well-textured, this is a stunning Cabernet Franc to drink over the next decade."

Stephen Tanzer's, *International Wine Cellar*, May, 2011

**93 Points** "Bright ruby-red. High-pitched, perfumed nose offers sexy aromas of blackberry, cherry, violet and musky brown spices. Densely packed and energetic, with a mountain berry intensity that's accentuated by ripe, integrated acidity. A complete but very youthful cabernet franc that finishes with broad tannins and lingering perfume. A sentimental favorite."

### WINE DATA

<b>Alcohol:</b>	14.3%
<b>Total Acidity:</b>	0.65 grams/100 ml
<b>pH:</b>	3.81
<b>Residual Sugar:</b>	Dry
<b>Bottling Date:</b>	July 14, 2010
<b>Production:</b>	525 cases
<b>Blend:</b>	100% Estate Cabernet Franc