

KAMEN  
ESTATE WINES

Ripe fruit. Low yields. High quality.



# THE 2009 CABERNET FALL RELEASE

The 2009 vintage was challenging, yet rewarding throughout northern California. In order to achieve optimum balance and ripeness, patience and flexibility were the hallmarks of our growing season. In the end, the work we put into the vineyard paid off with remarkable wines that showcase great fruit concentration, balance and finesse. We are proud to share the release of our 2009 Cabernet Sauvignon and trust you will enjoy drinking this wine for years to come.

We hope you will enjoy our Kamen Estate Wines as much as we enjoyed growing and crafting them.

— ROBERT MARK KAMEN





#### WINEGROWING INFORMATION

2009 began with a warm and dry early spring. The season gave way to consistent growing conditions without any drastic variations. We saw a beautiful, warm vintage in our high elevation mountain vineyard with an extended spell of warm temperatures through September. With forecasts of rain, we hand harvested each of our blocks separately bringing in 90% of our Cabernet by the second week of October and the remaining 10% by October 25th.

Our 2009 Cabernet showcases a great balance of ripe fruit flavors and fresh acidity. Our grapes were harvested at full maturity with an intense ripe fruit component without high sugar content. Our yields were under 1.5 tons per acre and resulted in a smaller production than previous vintages.

#### WINEMAKER'S TASTING NOTES

The 2009 Cabernet is extremely aromatic with ripe black & red raspberries, cherry and crème de cassis. Complementing this hugely layered wine are roasted nuts, crushed sage, mocha infused all spice, star anise, and creamy toasted French oak. The flavors are lively, clean, and focused with powerful layers of black strawberries, raspberries, and blueberries. The tannins are firm without being aggressive and are in perfect balance with the fruit intensity, leading into a substantial and persistent finish.

#### ACCOLADES

“The 2009 Cabernet Sauvignon is a little more restrained in style than the 2008 I tasted alongside it. Flowers, red fruit, licorice and sweet spices flow effortlessly from the beautiful, textured Cabernet Sauvignon. Fine, silky tannins frame the poised finish. This is a lovely showing. Anticipated maturity 2013–2019.” —Antonio Galloni, *The Wine Advocate*

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#### Vineyard Information

100% Estate Grown Cabernet Sauvignon at elevations of 1100–1450 ft.  
Sonoma Valley, Certified Organic & Biodynamic Vineyards

#### Production and Technical Data

Alcohol: 14.3%  
Production: 1460 cases  
Release Date: September 2012

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#### Kamen Estate Wines

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