



Emeritus

2001 Cabernet Sauvignon



Emeritus Cellars is a **Napa Valley** star on the rise. It's limited production cabernet, merlot and "Cathedral" meritage enjoy the pick of fruit from the **Olive Hill vineyard** (not to be confused with the Sonoma vineyard of B.R. Cohn), which is perfectly situated at the foot of Napa's Mt. George. (It's combination of deep, alluvial soils– laced with volcanic ash and mineral deposits from the mountain above– recalls many of Europe's great grand crus.) As the only New York retailer to get an allocation of these "ultra-premium California reds" said, *"you must try these magical wines to believe how sensational they really are!"*

This is a truly serious California cabernet– with **deep, rich, complex flavors, and a real capacity to age.**

The Cabernet Sauvignon is, as you might expect, an absolute Napa archetype. Deep, rich and powerful – with more obvious structure than the Cathedral blend. It's also more structured, I think, (and certainly less marked by oak) than either the Silver Oak or Stag's Leap cabernets this vineyard has informed. What's especially impressive here is the balance between the deep, chewy yet unmistakably cabernet flavors of the best valley floor vineyards with the greater power, intensity and thrust of the best mountain cabernets.

The production of this wine is extremely limited. Take advantage of it.