



Hazel
& AXE

CABERNET SAUVIGNON
CALIFORNIA
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WINERY INFORMATION

Erikson & Caradin has one mission, to be a desirable force in the wine industry and rise to the top. This philosophy requires a well-advised blend of hard work, tenacity and desire. A clear priority on doing what you love equates to a well-lived life. We first launched our winery with Napa Valley Cabernet and Chardonnay grown in their individual places and with Hazel & Axe, we scour California for the best sites to create accessible wines that our Grandma Hazel would be proud to offer her friends and family.

OUR STORY

Hazel represents the rock in all our families. The glue that held everything together. She had a saying, "wield the axe," which, to her, meant to use your inner power to always be moving forward in life. The foundation Hazel instilled in her entire world lives on today. You'll find it in every bottle of our wine.

WINEMAKER

Kevin Morrissey, while attending graduate school at the University of California, Davis, he secured a harvest internship at Château Pétrus in Bordeaux in 1997. He later worked under famed Napa Valley winemaker Tony Soter, founder of Etude Winery, who helped him refine his approach.

PALATE & AROMA

Inspired by the outstanding Cabernets of Napa Valley, our Hazel & Axe Cabernet Sauvignon is a stunner. It showcases bold, dark fruit flavors of blackberry and cassis, harmoniously balanced with subtle oak nuances. A well-structured body, with velvet-like tannins and a lingering finish, make it a timeless representation of the classic California Cabernet.

94 POINTS - DECANTER

Hazel & Axe is crafted by Kevin Morrissey (formerly of Ehlers Estate), and the 2023 marks his third vintage. This is a bold, attractive Cabernet framed by firm, muscular tannins that gradually unfurl to reveal wonderfully dark-toned savoury spices redolent of saddle leather, earth and tobacco. Those layers weave through the inky black fruit that dominates the palate, intermingling with dark, slated chocolate notes and a steadily building tannin presence on the full-bodied finish.

WINE DETAILS

Appellation: California (Napa Valley, Sonoma County, Mendocino County)
Aging: 12 Months - 100% Second Use French Oak
Grapes: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

