



# SMOKING GUN

## 2013 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

Cabernet Sauvignon:	78%
Petite Verdot:	4%
Merlot:	5%
Cabernet Franc:	13%
Harvested:	October 8, 2013
Alcohol:	14.4%
Aged:	28 months in French oak
Case Production:	795 cases
Vineyard/Grapes:	St. Helena, Oakville, Mt. Veeder

### Tasting Notes:

When this wine opens up it bursts with ripe black cherry. The nose has warm earth and leather undertones. Soft floral accents with pepper and nicely balanced spices invite more anticipation in the wine. Fig compote, ripe black fruit and unsweetened chocolate round out the mouth. Lingering soft finish of sweet oak and smoke from the toasted barrels finish out this wine with good balance and structure. Drink now or age ten years plus.

While traveling to Northern California in the mid-eighteen hundreds with his entire life savings, John Weinberger's stagecoach was attacked by robbers. Passengers were told to "shell out". Weinberger, without hesitation, shot the robbers with his Colt Navy he had hidden under his seat. John, a visionary, then became one of the first pioneers in Napa Valley Winemaking when he built the first stone winery in St. Helena in 1873.

Smoking Gun represents the bygone days of Napa Valley where with perseverance dreams can come true. Cole Ballentine, fifth generation Italian/Irish Napa Valley native, embodies the future in trailblazing Cabernet Sauvignon that remains true to its place.

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