



## 2011 Estate Bottled Syrah

- Appellation:** Napa Valley  
Spring Mountain District
- Vineyard:** Miravalle – 6 Acres  
South Facing – Elevation 700'
- Clones:** Beaucastel & Chapoutier
- Varietal:** 100% Syrah
- Aging:** 14 Months in French Oak
- Production:** 215 Cases



## Tasting Notes

Complex aromas of cherry and blueberry entwine elements of earth and leather, accented by lavender and spice. The wine is of medium weight with a balanced, textured palate that suggests wines from France's northern Rhône. This Syrah will shine with a hearty stew or flavorful rib-eye. Drink 2015 – 2021. In its youth, decant for 1 - 2 hours before service.

## 2011 Vintage

The 2011 vintage was cool and late, with greater than average rainfall (63 vs 46 inch norm). Warm temperatures at harvest brought the grapes to full physiological maturity and imprinted our Syrah with bright and pure varietal character. For the fourth consecutive vintage, yields were very low, only one ton per acre, as compared to the norm of 1.5 tons.

## About Spring Mountain Vineyard

Spring Mountain Vineyard is an 845-acre estate on the eastern slopes of Spring Mountain in Napa Valley where austere soils produce extremely low yields of intensely flavored, long-lived wines. Only 225 acres are planted to vine, representing 135 discrete vineyard blocks with multiple soil types, exposures and microclimates. The privately owned estate is comprised of four historic vineyards first planted to vine in the late 1800s. Only estate bottled wines are produced.