



1989 DOMINUS Napa Valley
Napanook Vineyard, Yountville, CA

TASTING NOTE

The 1989 Dominus Estate has a deep ruby color and a rich, complex nose reminiscent of cassis, violets and vanilla. The wine is velvety and full in the mouth, with an elegant and long finish.

VINTAGE SUMMARY

We received 22.69 inches of rain (35.68 average) for the season. The year was moderate to warm with some concern due to warm weather at set and some scorching of fruit that ended up not being significant. The big story was rainfall during harvest. On 9/16 and 9/17, we received 1.4 inches of rain; we did not resume harvest until the 25th. Then, on 9/29 with only 40 tons left to pick, we received 0.25 inches of rain; we did not resume picking until 10/6. Our European experience helped us to wait and regain excellent concentration and intensity even under these difficult conditions.

Blend:	Cabernet Sauvignon: 89%, Petit Verdot: 1%, Merlot: 10%
Harvest Start:	September 15
Harvest End:	October 7
Bottling Date:	July 1990
Percent New Barrels:	30%
Cases Produced:	7500
Release Date:	October 1993
Label Artwork:	Raymond Mason

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