

2009 CAMBIUM

Cambium is the flagship wine of Sequoia Grove Winery, highlighting the best of the vintage by using the very best fruit found in the Napa Valley. The 2009 Cambium has complex aromas of black pepper and black cherry, gravel and a hint of floral, maybe violets. In the background are subtle blueberry and cranberry notes, a little bit of cedar and a touch of walnut aromas. On the palate the wine has a beautiful long arc of flavor, starting with cherry and pomegranate and finishing with richer notes of cocoa powder and espresso.

HARVEST & WINEMAKING

Each component of Cambium is individually selected every vintage, and only the very best of hundreds of lots make the final cut. This 2009 Cambium includes Cabernet Sauvignon from Healy Vineyard in St. Helena; Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc from the Stagecoach Vineyard on Atlas Peak; Cabernet Franc from Saviez Vineyard in Calistoga; Cabernet Sauvignon from Lamoreaux Vineyard in Oak Knoll; and Cabernet Sauvignon from the Morisoli Vineyard in Rutherford.

All of the fruit was picked by hand, then sorted twice, first by cluster, then berry by berry. After a two-day cold soak, the individual lots were inoculated with an assortment of French yeast strains. The wine aged for 22 months in French oak before bottling, then aged 19 months in our cellar before release in March 2013.

THE 2009 VINTAGE

The 2009 season started with our third year of drought, but late rains delayed irrigation needs and a warm spell in June helped curtail excessive canopy development. A mild growing season followed, with the heat finally coming in September. Rain fell for one day in mid-October, but fortunately all the thin-skinned varieties were already picked and the only some of the thicker-skinned Cabernet remained on the vine. The sun came out after that and we had perfect fall ripening weather. When all was said and done, we got much needed rain AND beautiful, fully ripened grapes that produced lush, delicious wines!

WINE STATS

Cases produced:	566
Alcohol:	14.4%
TA:	5.7 g/L
pH:	3.66
Blend:	76% Cabernet Sauvignon, 14% Cabernet Franc, 9% Merlot
Oak:	aged 22 months in French oak, 80% new
Appellation:	Napa Valley