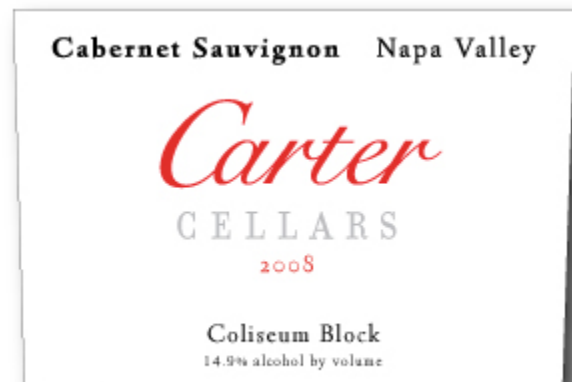


Coliseum Block
Cabernet Sauvignon

Vintage:	2008
Varietals:	Cabernet Sauvignon
AVA:	Napa – Soda Canyon
Alcohol:	14.9%
Harvest:	October 7, 2008
Brix at Harvest:	28.6°
Average pH:	3.81
Titrateable Acidity:	6.2 g/L
Fermentation:	Stainless Steel Tank
Cooperage:	Treuil and Demptos
Ageing:	18 Months New French Oak
Bottled:	July 8 th , 2010
Production:	210 Cases



The steep and winding rows from the Hossfeld Coliseum Block created another stunning Cabernet Sauvignon for us in 2008. A bright and expansive nose delivers a rush of red and dark fruits with notes of spice, cigar box and espresso notes. Well balanced but also buttressed by perfectly ripe large scaled tannins, the palate is a cascade of blue fruits, subtle French oak overtones and earthiness that makes this wine reminiscent of a first growth Bordeaux. This wine is all about an elegant delivery of flavors combined with an impressive length in the finish which echoes the above flavor profiles. While it's a strong candidate for the cellars a short decant will make this exuberant wine pleasurable in its youth.