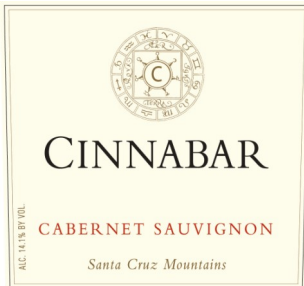


CINNABAR WINERY

Santa Cruz Mountains
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CALIFORNIA
Central Coast

OVERVIEW

Bitten by the wine bug during his years at Stanford Research Institute, the late Tom Mudd, a trained engineer planted a small mountain vineyard in 1974 and in 1983 decided to make viticulture his new career. Twenty-two acres of vineyards were planted with Cabernet, Pinot Noir and Chardonnay in the summers of 1984 and 1985, in a location high above Saratoga at the southern end of what Paul Masson had called the "Chaîne d'Or" of Santa Cruz Mountain terroir.

Inspired by the almost alchemical process by which the naturally given and the grown combine for the magic of wine, he took the name "Cinnabar" from the metal thought in medieval times to have held the secret for transforming base metals into gold. Winemaker George Troquato has been Cinnabar's alchemist since 1990, burnishing the winery's reputation with each vintage.

VINEYARD/CELLAR PRACTICES

- Dry and sustainably farmed vineyards
- Wines are made in facilities close to vineyard sources

WINES

Cinnabar Chardonnay Monterey

Smooth and enervating, a delicious and robust chardonnay revealing an amazing panoply of flavors.

Cinnabar Chardonnay Santa Cruz Mountains

A classically-styled Chardonnay, one of the reference points for those non-stereotypes of California. Suffusing yet vivid nuances undulate from its pillowy texture.

Cinnabar Mercury Rising

Cinnabar's most popular wine is a confluence of fruit sources from throughout California's Central & North Coasts, yielding a juicy, elegant Bordeaux-style red cuvée.

Cinnabar Merlot Paso Robles

A dusty, sweetly aromatic Merlot with red and black fruit flavors mingling with vanilla and spices, and a long, lifted finish.

Cinnabar Pinot Noir Santa Cruz Mountains

A Pinot Noir with a heavenly sort of fragrance not often found, even in this perfumed variety, and condensed flavors that expand with increasing extroversion as the wine aerates. A long-toned Pinot Noir with mystery and grace.

Cinnabar Cabernet Sauvignon Santa Cruz Mountains

An extraordinary wine, always one of the great values among premium California Cabernets Sauvignon. A unique Cab in that blueberry seems to haunt its aromas, an alluring backlight to the velvety-textured dark fruit and spice flavors.

Varieties: Cabernet Sauvignon, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir (plus 13 other varieties under contract from Sonoma to Paso Robles)

Total Acreage:
22 acres

Average Production:
17,000 cases



Winemaker George Troquato