

WHITEHALL LANE WINERY

Napa Valley

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OVERVIEW

Whitehall Lane is a small, family owned winery in Napa Valley's historic Rutherford appellation. Headed by Tom Leonardini, Sr. and his family with approximately 110 acres of prime Napa Valley-floor vineyards including the famed Leonardini Vineyard in St. Helena, Whitehall Lane is committed to making the finest Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay and Reserve wine along with a second label, Bommarito.

Whitehall Lane has developed into a world-class winery and continues to receive accolades and awards for producing some of the greatest wines in the world. In Wine Spectator Magazine's year-end ranking of wines, Whitehall Lane has been honored an unprecedented three times in five years for producing wines rated among the top five in the world. The winery has also been voted Winery of the Year from the Quarterly Review of Wines and Wine&Spirits magazine

Varieties: Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Sauvignon Blanc, Semillon, Malbec, Pinot Noir

Total Acreage: 105 acres

Average Production: 42,000 cases

VINEYARD PRACTICES

Whitehall Lane owns and operates six prime Napa Valley vineyards that are the cornerstone on which all of the wines are made. They take full advantage of these properties and their Napa Valley climate to grow grapes that are ripe and loaded with varietal flavors. Five of the vineyards are situated on the floor of the Napa Valley, primarily in the Rutherford sub-appellation. The soils tend to have lots of gravel and the rootstocks, grape varieties and clones were selected for each specific block in every vineyard. The sixth vineyard is nestled at the base of the eastern hills in St. Helena and also offers world class Cabernet Sauvignon.

WINES

Sauvignon Blanc, Napa Valley

75% of the fruit was cool temperature fermented to preserve subtle fruit flavors and aroma and 25% was fermented in new French oak barrels. The barrel fermented portion was aged "on the lees" to add a creamy mid-palate note. 11% Semillon was blended to develop ripe flavors and aromas.

Chardonnay, Carneros

Barrel fermented in 35% new and 65% one and two-year-old French oak barrels and aged on the lees for ten months. Approximately 60% of the wine was put through malo-lactic fermentation to enhance the body of the wine while retaining crispness and varietal characteristics.

Merlot, Napa Valley

Sourced from eight distinct vineyards, this signature Merlot-blend from Whitehall Lane results in a cornucopia of flavor nuances. The wine was gently pressed and aged in a combination of French and American oak barrels for approximately 17 months. 10% Cabernet Sauvignon adds structure and intense fruit aromas and flavors. 9% Syrah also enhances the aromas while also giving the wine added complexity.

Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley

Aged in a combination of American and French oak barrels for 19 months. Merlot in then blend increased texture and softness on the mid-palate. Petite Verdot and Malbec added complexity and additional layers of ripe fruit flavors to the wine. On the palate, the wine is plush with pleasing flavors of plum, blackberry and creamy oak.

Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve, Napa Valley

Aged in 80% French and 20% American oak barrels for 25 months yielding a big, ripe Cabernet Sauvignon. It balances the deep flavors of cassis, black berry and raspberry with the chewy, ripe tannins and sweet toasty oak. Small amounts of Malbec and Petite Verdot were added to the blend for complexity and flavor nuances (and sealed with a special glass closure).

Bommarito Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley

A second label named for Dominic Bommarito (1889-1963), a Sicilian immigrant who was a pioneer in northern California winemaking produced from declassified tanks from the WHL Cab program. An incredible value in Napa Valley Cab!

