

Lail Vineyards



2010 BLUEPRINT CABERNET SAUVIGNON, NAPA VALLEY

THE PEOPLE

Lail Vineyards traces its Napa Valley roots back five generations to the founding of Inglenook in 1879 by Gustav Niebaum, great-granduncle of Robin Daniel Lail. Passed down to third generation owner John Daniel, Jr., Inglenook thrived under his direction from 1933 to 1964 as he played a major role in the development of the Napa Valley appellation. The winery's flagship wine, "J. Daniel Cuvee", is named in his honor.

Lail Vineyards was founded in 1995 by fourth generation vintner Robin Lail and her family to carry the unique family legacy forward into the 21st century. Generations five and six are woven into the tapestry of the venture with the involvement of daughters Erin and Shannon, and with the "Georgia" Sauvignon Blanc named for the first member of the sixth generation. Each year the family continues its passionate quest to produce the very finest wines in the world from the blend of their ingredients – the land, the seasons, the winemaking team and the spirit of the generations who led the way.

"Possessing a delicate nose of violet, chocolate and black fruit, this wine is representative of a great Napa vintage. It has a lovely soft texture with refined, rounded tannins. The finish is fresh with good natural acidity, mirroring the aromas with flavors of black cherry and mocha."

— Philippe Melka, Winemaker

PROPRIETORS: The Lail Family

WINEMAKER: Philippe Melka

APPELLATION: Napa Valley

VINEYARDS: Estate fruit plus select growers

VARIETALS: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

PRODUCTION: 1209 cases (bottled as 2418
units of 6x750ml)
76 cases of 12x375ml

BOTTLED: May 2012

RELEASE: September 2012



*"The 2010 Cabernet Sauvignon Blueprint is endowed with serious minerality and pure intensity. Graphite, pencil shavings, blackberries and cloves are all woven together in this firm, vibrant Cabernet Sauvignon. The 2010 boasts gorgeous purity, inner perfume and intensity, all in a relatively friendly, accessible style for the year. At the same time, though, there is plenty of 2010 structure in the glass. I imagine another year or two will only help the wine harmonize even more fully. This is a great showing from Lail. **93 points**"*

— Antonio Galloni, Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate