



2005 Cuvee L

Varietal	96% Cabernet Sauvignon 4% Cabernet Franc
Appellation	Napa Valley
Alcohol	14.5%
Release Date	October 2008
Case Production	150 cases

Think of Cuvee L as super-charged Lewis Reserve Cabernet. Red wine at red-line. First created from the spectacular 1997 vintage, the single best barrels from our finest lots fuel this rare wine. Cuvee L is not produced every year. It is only blended when we have the components to create a wine of greater intensity, depth and distinction than our Reserve Cabernet.

Garaged in a beautiful lacquered wood 3-bottle box, we are proud to present our tire-smoking, high compression Cuvee L from 2005. The chassis is constructed from low yield, concentrated hillside clusters of 96% Cabernet Sauvignon and 4% Cabernet Franc aged in 100% new French oak. Toasty, smoky oak spices, chocolate, clove and caramel aromas jump off the line. Racy black currant and Turkish coffee flavors are smooth on the track, with super-wide tannins providing tenacious grip through the twisties. Great mileage too! 150 cases produced.

“Tightly wound, intense and vibrant, with great detail to the dried currant, mineral, sage and cedary oak flavors, this full-bodied Cabernet is pure and focused, if a bit closed and restrained. The finish reveals all sorts of detailed flavors that are long and persistent. Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc. Drink now through 2017.

- James Laube, *Wine Spectator*