



2008 Corison Cabernet Sauvignon

2008 saw a second year of drought and a heat spike during flowering which kept the crop very small. Early budbreak got the ball rolling in the spring but an unusually cool summer followed giving us the long, even ripening we hope for.

The wines are classic. Juicy and forward, the 2008 reminds me of the 2004. It has evolved quickly in the bottle with fruit flavors favoring the plum, cassis and blackberry end of the spectrum. Notes of cocoa and spice add richness. The feel in the mouth is silky and supple.

-Cathy Corison

541 cases produced

Harvested 2-6 September 2008

San Francisco Chronicle

2008 Napa Cabernets: The Chronicle recommends

"The latest bottles from Cathy Corison are better than ever, and as a benchmark of the continuity of Napa, they are worth seeking out. A vintage like 2008 underscores Napa's worthy reputation as a place where the extraordinary can be grown. It offered wines with timelessness and depth, and in the end it's a year that has done Napa Valley proud."

Jon Bonné, Francisco Chronicle, June 2011



2008 Corison, Napa Valley (\$70) – Medium-dark purplish ruby; attractive, forward, intense, cedary, cassis and dark berry fruit aroma with toasty notes and hints dried herbs and vanilla; full body; herbal, cedary, cassis and dark cherry fruit flavors with firm acidity; medium-full to full tannin; lingering aftertaste. Shows distinctive varietal character and deserves another three to five more years of bottle aging. Very highly recommended. 13.8% alcohol; 550 cases; 100% CS; released September 2011.