

**Larkmead Vineyards 2003  
Cabernet Sauvignon Solari Reserve  
Napa Valley**

350 cases produced

Alcohol 14.7%

100% Estate grown fruit at Larkmead Vineyards  
100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Aged in 70% new French oak barrels for 20 months

Tasting notes:

A delicious follow up to the hugely popular 2002 Solari, our 2003 bottling originates in the same two vineyard blocks, some of our oldest vines grown on our rockiest and deepest gravel soils. For the first time these two sources were harvested, fermented and barrel aged together, as a single lot, enhancing harmony and balance. The sense of power yet elegance and the prominent element of minerality these vines offer, gives this bottling its unique Larkmead signature. This is a wine of opulent dark fruit, velvety texture and lingering richness that still manages to maintain plenty of vibrancy and persistence on a long layered finish.

Bright ruby/purple. Intensely aromatic nose of black cherry, crème de cassis and black raspberry liqueur framed by mocha notes and typical Larkmead stony minerality. The palate is explosively fruit driven featuring a deep core of pure succulent black fruit of great intensity but also elegance. Flavors of sweet dark chocolate and coffee precede a lengthy finish that highlights vineyard-driven graphite and mineral power.

Decant for an hour in its youth to experience the wine's full range of flavors. This large-scaled wine will further concentrate for 3 years in bottle and hold for a decade.