



2023 TD-9®

NAPA VALLEY

TD-9 is a rich, vibrant expression of some of our favorite Napa Valley vineyards. The name TD-9 celebrates John Shafer's first tractor, which he taught himself to drive in 1973 as part of the founding of the winery.

Release Date	September 1, 2025
Vineyard Locations	Stags Leap District, Yountville, and a vineyard in the foothills of the Vaca Mountains just south of Stags Leap District
2023 Growing Season	The ideal 2023 summer offered long stretches of warm days and cool nights. In early September temperatures rose on cue, ushering in a harvest of rich, elegant fruit.
Varietal Composition	75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Merlot, 7% Malbec, 7% Petit Verdot
Brix at Harvest	23.5° – 25.5°
Cooperage	18 months in 60-gallon French oak barrels (100% new: Allier and Tronçais)
Alcohol	15.3%

Winemaker's Comments

"The 2023 displays beautiful complexity with layers of blackberry, black plum, and spice, accented by layers of tobacco, toast, and savory herbs. Both lush and energetic, this mouthfilling Cabernet Sauvignon is ripe, round, and perfectly balanced. Silky tannins provide structure and grace, promising even greater elegance and depth with time in your cellar." — **Elias Fernandez, Shafer Vineyards Winemaker**

What Others Are Saying

"Red and black fruits, new leather, graphite, and some floral notes ... beautifully balanced, layered, and has a great finish." (93-95) — **Jeb Dunnuck**

Shafer Vineyards

Shafer Vineyards has crafted wines in Napa Valley's Stags Leap District for nearly 50 years. The estate encompasses 242 acres (98 ha) of world-class vineyards, sources for Shafer's wines — Hillside Select, Relentless, One Point Five, TD-9, Merlot, and Red Shoulder Ranch Chardonnay.

