



2005 DUCKHORN VINEYARDS HOWELL MOUNTAIN NAPA VALLEY RED WINE

“This was one of the most memorable of many Howell Mountain Merlots I've tried.” Jim Laube – Wine Spectator



Composition: 57% Cabernet Sauvignon, 32% Merlot, 7% Cabernet Franc, 4% Petit Verdot.	Market Trends/Opportunity: Red Wine 13 weeks +5.4%. >\$20 category +13%.
Winemaker: Bill Nancarrow	Availability: National
Appellation: Napa Valley – Howell Mountain	SRP: \$75.00
Winemaking: The unique climate and soils on Howell Mountain are the key to the appellation’s success in producing powerful, age-worthy wines. Duckhorn Vineyards has crafted a Howell Mountain bottling since 1989. We have increased our commitment to this area with the purchase of two spectacular vineyards, Candlestick Ridge and Stout. To encourage further complexity, we bottle-age this wine a year longer than our other wines prior to release.	Tasting Notes: This Napa Valley wine embodies the power and intensity of its rugged, high-elevation terroir. The blend focuses on fruit from our two Estate vineyards-Stout and Candlestick Ridge-yielding a wine with exceptional structure and extracted aromatics of peppermint, chocolate, bramble, cedar, and ginger spice. On the palate, it is lush and mouth-filling, highlighting Howell Mountain’s signature wild berry and currant flavors, alongside espresso, earth, sage and sandalwood.
Key Accolades: v05 92 Pts., <i>Connoisseurs’ Guide</i> . v04 95 Pts., <i>Wine Enthusiast</i> . v04 95 Pts., <i>Wine Review Online</i> .	Recommended Pairings: Grilled Beef or Venison, Mole, Truffles, Dried Dark Fruits, Camembert.
UPC: 669576 01665 (not on label)	Marquee Accounts: Morton’s of Chicago, Ruth’s Chris, Auberge du Soleil, Bottega, Mastro’s
SCC: 10669576016612	Formats Available: 750ml, 1.5L
TTB Approval: 07143000000089	Alcohol: 14.5%



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