

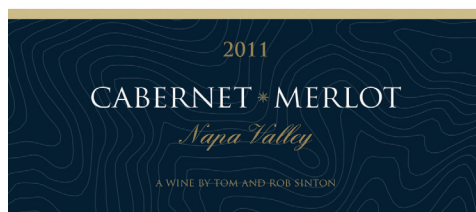
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## BUYING GUIDE

  
STARFIELD  
VINEYARDS  
 



**91** **Starfield 2011 Cabernet-Merlot (Napa Valley).** This juicy, minerally blend is composed of 78% Cabernet Sauvignon and 22% Merlot. The winery aims to source from cool vineyard sites and this bottling is true to that in style—elegant and balanced, subtle in tannins and aged in only 50% new oak. Bay leaf and mint come to the fore ahead of clove. —V.B.

**abv:** 14.1%

**Price:** \$45

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2011

THE STARBEAM  
CABERNET SAUVIGNON

*Napa Valley*



*Sinton*  
A WINE BY TOM AND ROB SINTON

**90** **Starfield 2011 The Starbeam Cabernet Sauvignon (Napa Valley).** A new wine by father-son team Tom and Rob Sinton, whose forebears partnered with Louis Martini during Prohibition. This blends in Merlot and Petit Verdot from a handful of vineyards, including Stagecoach and Konrad. It's herbal and peppery, exhibiting dark berry and coffee notes as well as soft, mellowed tannins. —V.B.

**abv:** 14.5%

**Price:** \$65