

## Father's Day Gift Guide: The Best Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignons

Big, bold Napa Valley cabernet sauvignon is the preferred wine for many fathers, especially now that grilling seasons is upon us. These favorites, including allocation-only and single-vineyard varietals, represent the best of the best. Try sipping your favorite in the new [Riedel Winewings](#) glasses. The wider, bulbous base and larger in-glass surface area and aeration space optimize the concentration of aromas and flavors to the nose and palate.

“When I’ve opened a bottle for Father’s Day in the past, I see potential and optimism – potential in the wine, potential in my kiddos running around, and hopefully potential for me,” says [Chateau Montelena](#) winemaker Matt Crafton. “It straight up makes me happy and given the state of things, we all need that. I try to live in the moment as much I can but I know that I can open another bottle of Estate Cabernet 30 years from now and experience something really special. It makes me appreciate what I have now for what it is but also to looking forward to what’s ahead. I have to remind myself that fatherhood is a long game and one that should be enjoyed.” Here are our picks for the best cabernet sauvignon wines in Napa Valley to share with your father:



### 2016 Chateau Montelena Estate Cabernet Sauvignon

Chateau Montelena may be most famous for their chardonnay beating French Burgundy to win the "Judgment of Paris" wine competition in 1976, but their [2016 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon](#) is a sleeper hit too. Pressed from the best grapes from Chateau Montelena's Calistoga estate, winemaker Matt Crafton has created an opulent vintage with a bright red berry and floral nose, hinting at deeper nutty and woody flavors to surface over a couple decades in the cellar.

Every week, Crafton hosts [Instagram Live](#) sessions, where he leads viewers through virtual tastings, cellar tours and vineyard visits. Chateau Montelena also offers virtual one-on-one tastings where guests can connect with one of Montelena's live, virtual hosts for an appointment tailored to your personal wine preferences. Simply email [wineclubs@montelena.com](mailto:wineclubs@montelena.com) with the desired date, time and the wine(s) you plan to enjoy.