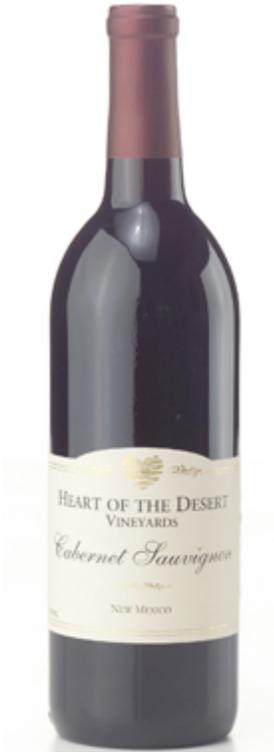


WINE RECOMMENDATION

**Heart of the Desert Vineyards****NV Cabernet Sauvignon
(New Mexico)**

Name as many correct Cabernet Sauvignon varietal characteristics as you can. Did you include wild berries, blackberry, plum, fine tobacco leaf, coffee and a slight dusty note? If so, you know the aromas of Heart of the Desert Cabernet Sauvignon that pleasantly surprised us at its bargain price of \$12.

Don't be put off by the non-vintage designation. Winery general manager Steve Jaszai said, "our vision is to vintage date but we're a young winery and we're learning to grow with baby steps."

If you're looking for a Cabernet Sauvignon with immediate drinkability or one that will satisfy when you'd just like to drink a pleasant red wine on a week night or one that will be perfect with roast chicken or a vegetarian pizza, this is your wine. Its plum accented and juicy finish will delight your taste buds.

Reviewed March 4, 2008 by [Eleanor & Ray Heald](#).

THE WINE

Winery: [Heart of the Desert Vineyards](#)

Vintage: NV

Wine: Cabernet Sauvignon

Appellation: [New Mexico](#)

Grape: Cabernet Sauvignon

Price: \$12.00

THE REVIEWER**Eleanor & Ray Heald**

The Healds have been writing about wine since 1978 and have focused on appellation significance in many of their world beat writings. They value recognizing site personality (*terroir*) within an appellation's wines. They praise balance and elegance in wines styled to pair well with food and eschew over-extraction, high alcohol and heavy-handed oak. "Delicious" is their favorite descriptor for a great, well-made wine.