

## 2017 CABERNET FRANC

100% Cabernet Franc

**Vineyard Notes**: Grown on our 18-acre estate mountain vineyard at elevations of up to 2,200 feet in rocky red volcanic soil. The vineyard is CCOF Organic and Demeter Biodynamic certified. On the ranch we pursue a true biodynamic "closed system," where biodynamic preparations are sourced primarily from our property. A picturesque aspect of this is our Scottish Highland cattle, which play an important role.

The 2017 growing season exhibited moderate temperatures. We saw slow, even development and ripening in the vineyard which allowed for long hangtime. This gave the wine complexity, depth of color and flavors, and balance of fruit and acid. Harvest was October 4<sup>th</sup>. Yield: two- and three-quarter tons per acre.

**Winemaker's Notes:** Hand crafted in an old-world style. We use minimal intervention in the cellar to bring the highest expression of our Lake County Red Hills vineyard's terroir to every glass.

Alcohol: 14.3%; pH 3.55; Cooperage: 100% French oak (40% new);

Production: 150 cases

**Tasting Notes:** Crushed stone and dried violets merge with a blackberry chocolate wash. Farmed with Biodynamic certification "closed system" on their 180-acre mountain estate. Slick and opulent.



## Accolades

93 Points Wine Enthusiast 95 Points The Tasting Panel 99 Points, Double Gold, Best of Class Int'l Women's Wine Comp



