



2017 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Blend: 98% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% Petit Verdot

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 September 27th through October 1st. Yield: three 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 (80% new)

Production: 1800 cases

Tasting Notes: Earthy flavors, eucalyptus, a hint of cassis. Good acidity, well-integrated tannins. The nose has a similar profile (cherries, eucalyptus, mint), maybe a touch higher intensity. Delicious on the palate, dark well-integrated fruit, firm tannins, tight core, lots of energy, a hint of espresso, perfect balance, medium-long finish.



Accolades

92 Points *Wine Enthusiast*

95 Points, Double Gold *Int'l Women's Wine Comp*



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