



Founded in 2005, Altvs produces small quantities of handmade Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon. We source fruit from a handful of serious growers with hillside and bench land vineyards up and down Napa Valley. Our style emphasizes balance, fruit purity and intensity.

VINTAGE

We in the Napa Valley have delighted in a string of exceptional vintages in recent years. Starting in 2012 and continuing through 2015, each has provided near ideal conditions for ripening fruit perfectly. The crop in 2015 was substantially lighter than in the previous 3 vintages and produced wines of great intensity. At critical periods, temperatures remained cool enough to stretch the harvest out for over two weeks, allowing for good flavor development without dehydration of the fruit.

TASTING NOTES

In any given year, our 'Merus' and 'Altvs' bottlings offer both yin and yang expressions of the same vintage. This comes about through block differences within the vineyard, concrete vs stainless steel fermentation tanks, different approaches to coopering, amount of new oak used, how wines evolve over a two year period in barrel, and the percentage of cabernet sauvignon ultimately used.

This 2015 Altvs is a delicious bottle of wine. Compared with Merus, it is more classically Cabernet Sauvignon, not as opulent but with great length and ageability. Buy several cases and drink them over the next 20 to 30 years.

STATISTICS

2 years, 2 months in 90% new French Oak

Alcohol 15%

pH 3.8

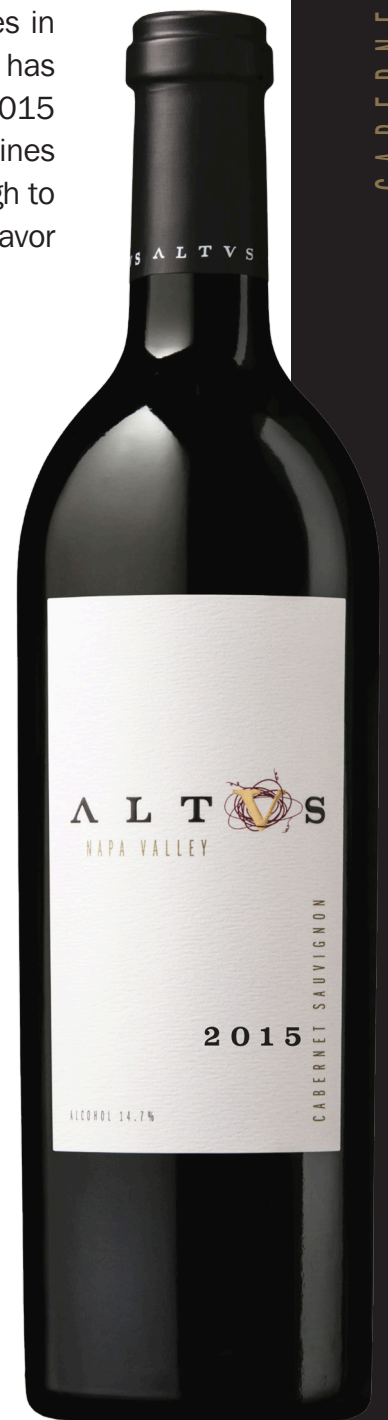
TA 5.8 g/L

640 cases bottled January, 2018

Harvested September 23 - October 5, 2015

95% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Petit Verdot

Bennett Vineyard in Coombsville and Darms Lane in Yountville



CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015