

# 2017 NAPA VALLEY ESTATE GROWN

# CABERNET SAUVIGNON

#### WINEMAKING

# VARIETAL COMPOSITION

85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 14% Merlot, 1% Cabernet Franc

#### HARVEST DATES

September 12 – October 4, 2017

#### BRIX AT HARVEST:

Average 24.1°

MACERATION: Average 18 days

# BARREL AGING REGIMEN

Aged 18 months in oak, 48% new oak

#### New oak profile:

95% French, 3% Hungarian, 2% American

# Overall oak profile:

90% French, 5% Hungarian, 5% American

**PH**: 3.52 pH | **TA**: 6.08 g/L | **RS**: 0.08%

**ALCOHOL**: 14.4%

PRODUCTION: 26,662 cases (9L)

# **FORMATS**

375ml, 750ml, 1.5L, 3L

**SRP:** \$28 (375ml) | \$58 (750ml)

# WINEMAKERS

Jon Emmerich, Elena Franceschi

#### HERITAGE

MT. GEORGE VINEYARD (49%) – Located east of Napa, Mt. George Vineyard is the site of one of the first grape plantings in the valley in the 19th century. Mt. George produces wines with intense fruit flavors, dark color, palate density, and classic structure.

SILVERADO VINEYARD (45%) – Silverado Vineyard is home to the namesake winery. It was on this site that Harry See planted Cabernet Sauvignon in 1968 that UC Davis later designated the Disney-Silverado Heritage Clone.

OAKVILLE STATION (6%) – First planted to vines in 1883, this historic site on the western edge of the Oakville bench is now under the guidance of the University of California, Davis; and has played a key role in advancing the quality of California's grape growing.

# SOILS + CLIMATE

The sloping, gravelly soils and sunny exposure of Silverado Vineyard pairs perfectly with western exposures to the late afternoon sun and Mt. George Vineyard's cooler climate and deep volcanic soils provide depth and structure to these wines.

#### VINTAGE

From abundant winter rains to cool spring weather, warm summer temperatures and October's wildfires, 2017 is a memorable vintage. Plentiful winter rains helped refresh our vines and led to a cool, mild spring. Due in part to these warmer temperatures, 90% of Napa Valley's grape tonnage was harvested before the wine country wildfires began. Based on Silverado's house wine style, we typically pick early and were fortunate to have 100% of our fruit harvested with no smoke impact.

#### TASTING NOTES

Aromas of Linzer cookies and savory herbs. A fresh, clean palate with flavors of dark cherry cola, black raspberry, and hints of sweet tobacco. Full-bodied and smooth with a lingering berry finish.

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