



2017 MT. GEORGE VINEYARD | COOMBSVILLE

CABERNET FRANC

WINEMAKING

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

98% Cabernet Franc, 2% Cabernet Sauvignon

HARVEST DATES

September 26, 2017

BRIX AT HARVEST

Average 24.4°

MACERATION

Average 20 days

BARREL AGING REGIMEN

Aged 15.5 months in oak, 47% new oak

New oak profile:

80% French, 20% Hungarian

Overall oak profile:

85% French, 15% Hungarian

PH: 3.56 pH | **TA:** 5.70 g/L | **RS:** 0.07%

ALCOHOL: 15.0%

PRODUCTION

1,331 (9L) cases

WINEMAKERS

Jon Emmerich, Elena Franceschi

HERITAGE

MT. GEORGE (100%) – Located in Coombsville, Mt. George Vineyard is the site of one of the first grape plantings in the Napa valley in the 19th century. Under the care of pioneering Napa vintner, Henry Hagen, the vineyard known then as Cedar Knoll established its reputation in the 1880's as a source for fine American red wines. In 1988, Silverado Vineyards purchased a significant portion of the historic site.

SOILS + CLIMATE

The cooler climate and deep, gravelly soils derived from volcanic rock and ash of the ancient volcano whose name the vineyard now bears, provide depth and structure to Silverado Vineyards' 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

Crushed blueberry, plum and cranberry are met with spicy paprika, dried thyme and green tobacco leaf. Broad-shouldered with a dusty cocoa finish.

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