

2015 NAPA VALLEY ESTATE GROWN

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

WINEMAKING

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

84% Cabernet Sauvignon, I2% Merlot, 4% Petit Verdot

HARVEST DATES

August 30 – September 19, 2015

BRIX AT HARVEST

Average 24.8°

MACERATION

Average 19 days

BARREL AGING REGIMEN

Aged 17 months in oak, 51% new oak

New oak profile:

91% French, 5% Hungarian, 4% American

Overall oak profile:

87% French, 7% American, 6% Hungarian

PH: 3.52 pH | **TA:** 6.00 g/L | **RS:** 0.09%

ALCOHOL: 14.4%

PRODUCTION

17,953 cases, bottled July 2017

SRP: \$53

WINEMAKERS

Jon Emmerich, Elena Franceschi

HERITAGE

SILVERADO VINEYARD (52%) – First planted in 1884, 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.

MT. GEORGE VINEYARD (39%) – 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.

OAKVILLE STATION (9%) – First planted to vine 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. Mt. George Vineyard's cooler climate and deep volcanic soils provide depth and structure to these wines.

Vintage

The 2015 growing season in Napa Valley started with unseasonably warm temperatures in late winter and early spring, resulting in an early bud break and bloom. Colder temperatures in May (during the peak of bloom) caused an uneven fruit set which ultimately led to a smaller crop than average yields and the three abundant years that preceded it.

TASTING NOTES

Well-defined fruit aromas and flavors of boysenberry and plum with great acidity and hints of earth and a touch of vanilla.

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