

HENDRY



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1939 - 2014

HENDRY VINEYARD NAPA VALLEY

2011 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Hendry Blocks 8, 16, 17 and 18 are located on benchlands west of the town of Napa. The vines grow on thin stony soil between 150 and 300 feet above sea level. Morning fog and strong afternoon breezes from San Pablo Bay moderate our vineyard's climate. The majority of the grapes for this wine (54%) still come from our old Block 8, planted in 1974. The vines are spaced 8' x 10' and cordon trained. The clone is U.C.D. 7, grafted to St. George roots. A seven-foot vertical trellis system supports the cordon and the canopy. Average production is roughly 2 tons per acre.

Blocks 16, 17, and 18 were planted in 1996, 1996, and 1997 and are also on St. George rootstock. They are grafted to U.C.D. clones 7, 4 and 337/15. Their inclusion in our Cabernet Sauvignon marks a milestone in the vines maturity. At 14+ years old, they have reached a level of depth and complexity comparable to the older blocks. (Blocks 8A and B, replanted in 2006, will be used in our HRW program until they reach maturity.)

In 2011, the median bud break in these blocks was April 6-8. Median bloom was June 12-14 and median veraison was August 19. Harvest ranged from October 13-20. Yields averaged 2.5 tons per acre throughout the Cabernet blocks. After a warm extended maceration, the wine was aged for 20 months in 90% new French oak barrels. 100% Cabernet Sauvignon.

Deep, concentrated, dark color. Brooding, dark wine, with cassis, eucalyptus and candied cherries in the initial aromas, slow to emerge from the grip of firm tannins, as is typical in wines from cooler vintages like 2011. Decanting brings out deeper flavors and releases that grip. This wine is crying out for a juicy rib-eye steak!

Only 493 cases produced
Alcohol is 14.4%
magnums available