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HENDRY VINEYARD NAPA VALLEY 2017 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Hendry's Cabernet Sauvignon blocks 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 fruit for this wine was harvested from Blocks 8B, 9F, and 16B. Average production is about 2 tons per acre. Block 9F was replanted in 2003 with clone 337, and Block 8B was planted to U.C.D. clone 7 in 2006. Blocks 16 and 17 were planted in 1996 with clones 7 and 4. Block 18 was planted the following year, 1997, with 337/115. All of the blocks are on St. George rootstock.

In 2017, median budbreak in these blocks was April 4th; median bloom was May 24th. Veraison occurred August 6th, and harvest in the five blocks took place from September 13th through October 2nd. Yields averaged 2.2 tons per acre, and the average bloom-to-harvest period was 123 days. Our naturally low-yielding Cabernet blocks, with their dry, alluvial soil, give us concentrated, complex fruit.

After a warm extended maceration, the wine was aged 21 months in 90% new French oak barrels. 100% Cabernet Sauvignon. Unfined.

Opaque, deep ruby color. Initial aromas of deep, dark berry and soft, subtly spicy oak. Full-bodied, balanced and readily drinkable, with moderate acids and substantial but easily-tamed tannins. Very approachable upon release. Pair with crisped parmesan, or other intensely flavored, cheesy items, rib-eyes, a deluxe cheeseburger, rack of lamb, or a savory, rib-sticking, polenta and short ribs.

Alcohol 14.0%
1037 cases produced
TA: 6.1
pH: 3.79
VA: .55