



2016 CABERNET SAUVIGNON CALISTOGA

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2016 vintage for Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon remained on track with previous years in terms of smaller yields of slightly smaller clusters. The quality of the lower yields remained high, in spite of early concerns about the few heat spikes during early summer months. Fortunately, cooler August temperatures slowed ripening to a luxurious pace which allowed us to harvest each parcel at optimal ripeness.

VINEYARD NOTES

Sourced primarily from the Tenma Vineyard in Jericho Canyon in northeastern Calistoga where the soil is comprised of fluvial fan deposits. Ample sunshine and wild temperature swing from day to night help retain lively natural acid, that plus some very special old-vine vineyards come together helping us craft this gem with depth, focus and character.

Tasting Notes

Deep purple in the glass, and endowed with aromas of black plum, cherry and blackberry, cigar box and wet stone. The palate reveals brooding dark fruit; Boysenberry and blueberry jam with hints of baking spice and dried herbs. Powerful yet precise tannins afford this Cabernet a velvety textured and enduring finish.

ABOUT THIS WINE

Napa Valley has become the country's most respected region for Cabernet. In honor of inaugurating our new Girard Calistoga winery and tasting room we crafted this special bottling, our very first Cabernet Sauvignon from Girard sourced exclusively from Napa Valley's Calistoga sub-AVA.

Varietal Composition 100% Cabernet Sauvignon | Appellation Calistoga, Napa Valley

OAK AGING 20 months in French oak, 65% new

Alcohol 14.8% | pH 3.78 | TA 6 g/L | Residual Sugar 1.4 g/L | Production 411 cases