



2017 QUARRY VINEYARD

Cabernet Sauvignon, Rutherford, Napa Valley



VINEYARD DESCRIPTION

The 25-acre Quarry Vineyard climbs the slopes above the Silverado Trail on the east side of Rutherford. The name comes from the old quarry that was the source of a white rock used in the ghost winery that still stands beside the vineyard. Three distinct hillside blocks, each experiencing its own unique soil and exposure, are harvested from this vineyard. The white, rocky loam soils are well drained, and the vines are of moderate vigor. Cluster and berry size varies from block to block, but all are small to moderate. This vineyard has full exposure to the afternoon sun.

HARVEST NOTES

The year began with a cold and much-needed wet winter, followed by a mild spring. April showers following budbreak resulted in hearty vine growth that only accelerated with the summer sun. The vineyards enjoyed a brief cooling period in August before a final heat spike over Labor Day weekend. The cool weather that immediately followed gave our fruit additional hang-time on the vine continuing phenolic development.

SENSORY EVALUATION

A classic Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon with beautiful aromas of sage, cedar, black olive and forest floor, mixed with briary notes of blueberry and spicy black fruits. With ample intensity of fruit on entry, the 2017 Quarry possesses moderate tannins that are layered and elegant. Subtle herbaceous notes mixed with oak come through on the back half of the palate, reminiscent of delectable baking spices, such as vanilla, clove and brioche. The resulting wine creates a lasting impression with its graceful finish.

APPELLATION

Rutherford, Napa Valley

VARIETAL

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

AGING

French oak barrels
(48% new, 52% once-used)

RELEASE DATE

March 2019

HARVEST DATES

September 27, 2017

SKIN CONTACT

17 days

TIME

16 months

FIRST VINTAGE

2006