



2017 SORI BRICCO VINEYARD

Cabernet Sauvignon, Diamond Mountain District, Napa Valley



VINEYARD DESCRIPTION

High in the hills of Diamond Mountain, Sori Bricco spans two hillsides with different sun exposures resulting in separate harvest dates across the ranch. The soil is composed of a sandy, gravelly loam and the vines tend to be very small as they struggle against the slopes. The climate is warm in the early spring and these vines are among the first to bud each year. Warm summer months produce nice flavors, while cooler nights offer long hang time to gain tannin maturity each season.

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

Flaunting its hillside origins, the 2017 Sori Bricco Cabernet Sauvignon offers an impressive intensity of aromas and concentration of flavors. Dark fruit fragrances of cherry, currant, and blackberry blend harmoniously with background notes of earth, mineral, and graphite. Upon entry, the wine coats the palate with robust mountain tannins that ultimately dissolve due to the juiciness of the balanced acidity.

APPELLATION

Diamond Mountain District,
Napa Valley

VARIETAL

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

AGING

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

RELEASE DATE

March 2019

HARVEST DATE

October 5 – 12, 2017

SKIN CONTACT

18 days

TIME

17 months

FIRST VINTAGE

2011