



APPELLATION: Napa Valley

COMPOSITION:
98% Cabernet Sauvignon,
1% Malbec, 1% Merlot

AGING: 21 months, 100% French oak

ALCOHOL: 14.20%

T.A.: 0.58 g / 100ml

PH: 3.76

HARVEST DATE:
September 2–October 27, 2015

RELEASE DATE: November 2017

CASES: 35,500

VINEYARD

Grapes for Napa Cellars 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon were carefully selected from a collection of prime Napa Valley vineyards, including Atlas Peak and Spring Mountain. Winemaker Joe Shirley's unprecedented commitment to sourcing fruit from the best regions in Napa Valley results in a beautiful blend that captures the essence of quintessential Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon.

WINEMAKING

The grapes are hand harvested in the cool morning. Upon arrival at the winery, the fruit is hand-sorted, gently de-stemmed and lightly crushed. Following a 13–26 day maceration period, a technique to maximize color and flavor extraction and polish tannins for a rich, supple mouthfeel, the wine is transferred to French oak barrels to undergo malolactic fermentation, integrating fruit and oak flavors. The wine is then blended with complementary varieties resulting in a lush and savory wine.

WINEMAKER NOTES

The Napa Cellars 2015 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon showcases elegant and concentrated aromas of black currant, ripe loganberry, ripe fig, and mocha tones with some mild, warm spice notes in the background. A lush core of ripe brambly fruit, blackberry, boysenberry, and loganberry with mocha notes that persist on the finish. This wine is full-bodied with a strong mouthfeel and approachable tannins. Joe Shirley recommends pairing this 2015 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon with port braised beef short ribs topped with mint leaves.

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