

# 2016 CABERNET SAUVIGNON | NAPA VALLEY

# **Grape Varieties**

90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Petit Verdot, 5% Petite Syrah

# Vineyard

The genesis of Emblem Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon is in the Michael Mondavi Family Vineyards, nestled along the North-eastern hillsides of Napa Valley high above St Helena. Farmed sustainably and organically, certified Napa Valley Green and Fish Friendly, the vineyards exemplify a generational commitment to responsible farming.

## Vintage Notes

2016 was another early year in Napa Valley with ideal weather conditions! No rains during flowering and crop was more plentiful than previous year. First rainstorm arrived October 14, 2016 so vineyards were able to progress to perfect ripeness.

# Winemaking

The grapes are exclusively hand-harvested. During fermentation the colors, flavors, textures and aromas are naturally extracted from the skins. At approximately 14 days, the fermentation is completed, and we drain the tanks, remove the skins and then gently press to capture the remaining juice. It is then transferred into small French oak barrels (66% new French oak) and aged for 18 months.

### **Blending Notes**

Thoughtfully sculpted, the 2016 Emblem Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon is a blend of three complimentary varietals - Cabernet Sauvignon provides the depth and structure, Petite Sirah imparts exotic spices and violet floral attributes, while the Petit Verdot ties the blend together with additional structure and a vibrant aroma of primrose and subtle sandalwood.

### Tasting notes

The 2016 Emblem Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon is a ripe and plummy wine with chocolate and hazelnut undertones. Medium to full body, round tannins and a flavorful finish. Well balanced, with a soft and layered mouth feel make this wine a simply delicious expression of Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon. Able to age or ready to enjoy now.

Total acidity: 5.9 q/l

pH: 3.78 pH ABV: 14.5% SRP: \$40.00

Production: 6, 151 Cases



