

Rock Wall

WINE COMPANY

2016

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

MARCHESCHI VINEYARD

Vineyard Notes

The awesome grapes for this special Cabernet are grown in Fiore Marcheschi's Alexander Valley vineyard, which is located between two Silver Oak Vineyards. The vineyard was planted in 1950, and the vines are head-pruned and planted to St. George rootstock on rolling hills.

Production

Pick Date: 10/10/16

Yeast: D21 and Syrah

Fermentation: Fermented in macro bin

Malolactic: native

Barrels: 50% new tight grain French oak, 50% neutral French oak

Bottled: 5/2018

334 cases produced

Winemaker Comments

I've always made Cabernet, but heading into my 11th vintage as a Winemaker, I finally feel like I understand it. I comprehend its needs, and its likes and dislikes. It's really not as tenacious as people think because of its vigorous growth tendencies. It is sensitive and can be quite fickle if the mood strikes. This incredible Cabernet is the culmination of ideal fruit, specific tight grain French oak, and utter patience. Many Cabs I taste from Napa rely on 100% new oak to make Cab an almost overwhelming varietal to drink. My take on it leans more towards the old-world style which is medium bodied and the oak is featured as a back-up singer, allowing the gorgeous Cab fruit to be the star of the show. Aromas of chocolate-covered espresso beans, cedar, cinnamon, graham cracker, and blueberries greet your nose followed by flavors of subtle blackberry, dusty cocoa, marshmallow, cherry, plum and a lengthy finish laced with cigar tobacco.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

APPELLATION

Alexander Valley

COMPOSITION

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

ALCOHOL

14.61%

Residual Sugar:

0g/100ml

PH

3.57

TOTAL ACIDITY

0.60g / 100ml

BARRELS

50% New French Oak

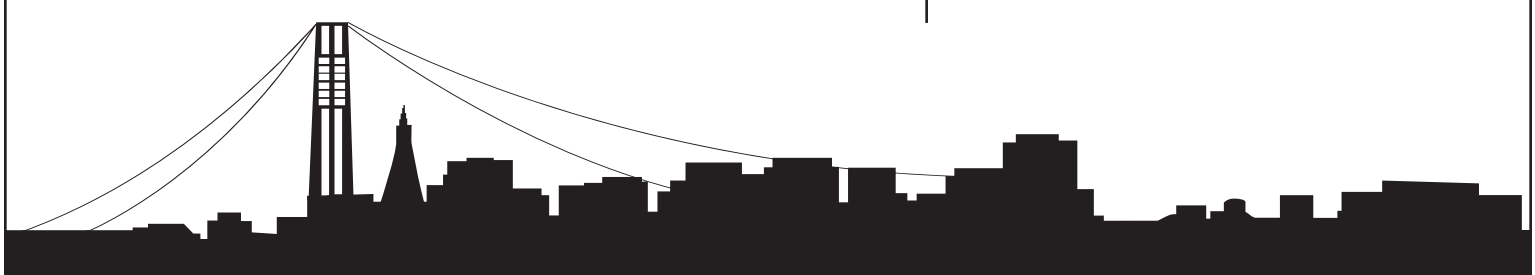
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RELEASE DATE

August 2018

SUGGESTED RETAIL

\$65



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