



2017
CABERNET BOSCHÉ
CABERNET SAUVIGNON
Rutherford, Napa Valley

WINEMAKER- *Kristy Melton*

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VINTAGE & WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Nestled in the heart of the Rutherford Bench, the Bosché Vineyard has the ideal terroir for growing elegant and balanced Cabernet. The color is deep ruby and the nose opens with aromas of blueberry, black cherry, cassis, milk chocolate and blonde roast coffee. The palate is rich, creamy and full and complimented with flavors of black pepper, forest floor, black olive and warm oak spices. The tannins are well integrated, making the wine delicious now and giving it the ability to age well for decades.

PRIMARY VINEYARD

Bosché Vineyard — Rutherford (100%): Located west of Hwy. 29, on the famed Rutherford Bench, the Bosché Vineyard has very deep gravelly soils. A seasonal creek crosses the vineyard which causes the water table to be high in the spring, providing water and nutrients for new shoot growth. As veraison approaches the water table drops, stressing the wines and intensifying the dark velvety fruit flavors.

GROWING SEASON NOTES

The winter continued a dry weather pattern and bud break was early. The growing season was moderate, near ideal, and on an early pace. Most varieties were harvested in September with a final wrap up on October 10th, allowing us to receive in all the fruit prior to any rains developing.

COMPOSITION:

94% Cabernet Sauvignon
6% Merlot

FERMENTATION:

After cold soaking, the fermentation was in stainless steel tanks at 78°-88° for 10-28 days skin contact, averaging 23 days

BARREL & AGING

27 months in French oak, 68% new

ALCOHOL:	PH:	ACID:
14.7%	3.5	0.62g/L

HARVEST DATE & SUGAR:

September 6th-20th, 2017 for all components; 25.6° Brix at harvest

LIFE SPAN IN PROPER CELLAR:

30+ years

NUMBER OF CASES PRODUCED:

2,000

BOTTLED:

February 2020