

2017 VACA VISTA VINEYARD

Cabernet Sauvignon, Oak Knoll District of Napa Valley



VINEYARD DESCRIPTION

Vaca Vista Vineyard sits upon the valley floor in the Oak Knoll District and is our debut Cabernet Sauvignon vineyard in the appellation, set against a scenic backdrop of the Vaca Mountains to the east. The vineyard's well-drained, gravelly soils and moderate climate provide even ripening, resulting in this structured and polished Cabernet Sauvignon.

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

Layered aromas of blue and black fruits waft from the glass at its first swirl. The wine further unravels on the palate with delightful purity of fruit. Flavors of plum, black currant and savory herb come alive from beginning to end. Full and expressive, Vaca Vista's subtle tannins are beautifully integrated, offering a sleek and long finish.

APPELLATION

Oak Knoll District, Napa Valley

VARIETAL

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

AGING

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

RELEASE DATE

September 2019

HARVEST DATES

September 29th & October 4,

2017

SKIN CONTACT

15 days

TIME

16 months

FIRST VINTAGE

2017