

2016 BARRETT & BARRETT CABERNET SAUVIGNON WINEMAKER NOTES/FACT SHEET

Barrett & Barrett was founded in 2008 by the husband-and-wife winemaking team of Bo & Heidi Barrett as their first collaborative wine, following parallel careers of more than 30 years in the wine industry. A single wine from a single property, Barrett & Barrett Calistoga Estate Cabernet Sauvignon represents Bo's wine-growing experience gained over decades farming Chateau Montelena's vineyards in the Calistoga AVA (which he helped to gain official AVA status in 2010), and Heidi's expertise in crafting the finest "cult cabs" of Napa Valley (including Screaming Eagle, Dalla Valle, Grace Family, her own brand La Sirena, and numerous others).

VINTAGE

2016 was the end of the drought that occurred from 2012-2015. Much-needed winter and spring rains helped to alleviate some of the drought's effects on the vineyards and replenish some of the groundwater. During 2016's growing season, we saw pleasant, temperate warm days and cool nights, a nice normal crop with great flavors already present. 2016 was basically a "textbook" harvest for creating the ripe, balanced wines Napa Valley is known for, and we look forward to sharing the result with you.

JUST THE FACTS:

Harvest Dates: Sept 7, Sept 16 & Oct 1, 2016

Blend: 98% Estate Cabernet Sauvignon (To Kalon, See, & 412 clones), 2% Cab Franc

Some Chemistry: 14.7% alc., T.A. 6.0, pH 3.79 100% French oak barrels, 30% new, 22 months

Bottling date: June 24, 2018 Release date: Nov 13, 2019 Production: 300 cases and 90 etched signed 1.5L magnums.

TASTING NOTES (11/10/19 BY BO & HEIDI BARRETT):

This Cabernet Sauvignon makes an immediate impression with a very dark black ruby color in the glass. A primary aroma of elegant black raspberry is accompanied by notes of plum, vanilla bean, wet stone, and subtle toasted spices. On the palate, wild blackberry pie comes to mind in this concentrated, beautifully ripe and structured Cab. A big wine with balance, complexity and textural, integrated tannins leading to a long, powerful and silky finish. Voluptuous and intriguing on release, it will surely age and develop for many years to come.

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