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CABERNET SAUVIGNON CALIFORNIA 2016

Trying to pin down what a California Cabernet Sauvignon should taste like is awfully difficult given the wide range of styles found throughout the state. Different growing regions, different climates, different soils all make for unique flavors and aromas. In this case, our winemaker, Robert Goyette, pulled together the best wines he could from Paso Robles, Southern Monterey County, and Mendocino County and made a masterful blend, combining the best from each region into a seamless wine with loads of flavor. This cuvee is a blend of 45% Paso Robles, 38% Monterey County, and 17% Mendocino County fruit. Even though there might not be a distinct California style, this wine has awesome written all over it.

WINEMAKER NOTES

Aromas of black cherry, baker's chocolate, and cigar box on the nose. Raspberry and blueberry pie filling flavors are predominant up front. Dark and red fruits form in the midpalate with decent acidity to maintain the fruit bowl at the finish. This wine hangs for quite a while and finishes with soft and lush tannins that add hints of sweetness to the wine.

Pairings: Hearty homemade burgers with grated cheddar and soy sauce mixed in with the patties, any lasagna, or BBQ pork ribs.

VARIETAL 88% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Merlot, 5% Petit Verdot

APPELLATION 45% Paso Robles, 38% Monterey, 17% Mendocino

ALCOHOL 13.5%

PH 3.65

TA 0.58 gm/100ml

AGING 20 months in 15% New American, balance in French and American neutrals



Robert Goyette

WINEMAKER