



2016

Cabernet Sauvignon

RUTHERFORD
NAPA VALLEY

TASTING NOTES

Deep red color with an inky purplish hue. It has an elegant aroma of sweet oak, dried herbs with black berries, black cherry, black current with red fruit showing through with a touch of cinnamon. The wine is well-balanced with a silky and cohesive taste of black and red fruit with polished tannins. A profoundly rich, savory and powerhouse of a cabernet that will amply reward patience.

BLEND

92% Cabernet Sauvignon
(Rutherford)
6% Merlot, 2% Cabernet Franc

WINEMAKING NOTES

??This Rutherford vineyard is known for producing wines with elegant and silky fruit rather than powerful, blockbuster flavors. The 2017 vintage displays sweet blackberry and blackcurrent fruit intertwined with a dusty soil note, which some refer to as "Rutherford Dust." Cabernet Franc was added for its floral elements.. The wine aged for 23 months in French Oak barrels, 66% new (Ana Selection, Vicard). The blending took place in August 2016. ??? Check with Larry

BOTTLING

Date: August 8, 2018
Alcohol: 14.7%
pH 3.66, Total Acidity 6.1g/L

Released: ??????

VINEYARD NOTES

2016 is the fifth year Greyscale Wines produced a single vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon. We used fruit from a famed vineyard in Rutherford, located between Conn Creek Road and the Silverado Trail. The parcel was first planted in 1895 by Mrs. Thomas Rutherford and, over the years, has provided grapes for many prominent Napa Valley Cabernets. The vines are over 25 years old. The root stock is grafted with Clone 4 grapes that have a strong flavor intensity with very good color, aromas, and palette balance.

The vineyard's proximity to Conn Creek and the well-draining soils of the old creek bed combine with spectacular, western exposure to produce wines of richness and pedigree. It is also known for distinctive terroir characteristics of dusty, loamy soil notes.

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Rutherford AVA

Harvest Date: 9/12/2016

Brix: 25.5, TA: 3.3

pH: 3.79



ABOUT GREYSCALE WINES

"Making wine is living a dream. Growing up with a family vineyard, avidly collecting wines for years, wine tasting in Bordeaux, and developing a curiosity about winemaking inspired us to create our own wine. Our goal is to produce small-lots of premium Napa Valley wines from the most prestigious vineyards in the valley".

Jean & Larry Rowe
Proprietors

ABOUT THE WINEMAKER KIAN TAVAKOLI

With over 25 years of winemaking, operations and viticultural experience, Kian brings a stellar combination of sensory and production skills to Greyscale Wines. Having graduated with a degree in enology from UC Davis in 1992, Kian spent 4 years in the lab at Opus One before he became winemaker at Clos Du Val where he ran their red wine program including the highly acclaimed reserve bottlings. Kian's passion for Bordeaux style wines is the perfect complement to our Greyscale family wine philosophy. We are pleased that he has been our only winemaker since we started in 2008.



"Wine is neither black nor white. It's always shades of grey"

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