



# 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon Home Ranch Cuvée – Sonoma Valley



## THE VINEYARD

The Home Ranch Cuvée is built on a core of clone 337 Cabernet Sauvignon from the Home Ranch Vineyard in southwest Sonoma Valley, planted by Sojourn proprietor Craig Haserot in 2002. Tight spacing and immaculate vine training result in evenly ripened grapes with tiny berries and loose clusters. Robust blueberry fruit aromas and big silky tannins distinguish Home Ranch Vineyard wines from most of its Sonoma Valley brethren.

## WINEMAKER NOTES

The 2015 vintage started with a bang – an unusually warm winter and dry spring promoted early bud-break, with severe drought conditions continuing throughout the growing season. Cabernet Sauvignon responded by producing loose clusters and smaller berries, with an abundance of flavor and ripe tannins. It was one of the earliest harvests on record with lower than average yields. The resulting wines display tremendous finesse, depth and aromatic intensity. The 2015 Home Ranch Vineyard berries were the smallest we have seen and the resulting wine is more opulent and hedonistic than in recent vintages. It is reminiscent of the 2010 vintage. Cabernet Sauvignon from a neighboring vineyard in southern Sonoma Valley was blended in, resulting in a complex cuvée. The wine was aged for 20 months in 60% new French oak barrels from top coopers Darnajou, Taransaud and Bel Air.

## FERMENTATION & BOTTLING DETAILS

- 100% berry-sorted Cabernet Sauvignon
- Open-top fermentation
- Native yeast
- 60% new French oak
- Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered
- Bottled June 2017

## FINISHED WINE DETAILS

- Alcohol: 14.6%
- pH: 3.66
- TA: 6.1 g/L
- Release date: Spring 2018
- Retail price: \$59
- 375 cases produced
- AVA: Sonoma Valley

## TASTING SALON

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## ABOUT THE WINERY

Based in the town of Sonoma, Sojourn Cellars is a highly acclaimed winery specializing in the production of artisan Pinot noir, Chardonnay, and Cabernet Sauvignon wines.

We source fruit from celebrated vineyards in both Sonoma and Napa Counties, and we help direct farming operations to assure that our grapes are produced using world-class growing techniques. We have consistently produced high-quality wines with a hands-off natural winemaking style that showcases the character and personality of individual vineyards.

**Craig Haserot**  
Proprietor

**Erich Bradley**  
Winemaker

**Randy Bennett**  
Associate Winemaker