



2015 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Ranch Vineyard – Oakville, Napa Valley



THE VINEYARD

Oakville Ranch Vineyard is a rugged 330-acre estate, tucked into a rocky shelf 1,400 feet above the Napa Valley floor. The ranch is in the foothills of the Vaca Mountains on the far eastern edge of the renowned Oakville District AVA. This unique setting allows the vineyard to take advantage of the cooling breezes of the Pacific and the warm, dry air of the Central Valley. These optimal conditions, in addition to precise, careful farming practices, result in grapes with a clear sense of place and uniformity of ripeness and flavor. The rocky clay, loam and basalt soils have a heavy iron influence providing structure, power and depth. This vineyard was replanted in 2006 by esteemed organic viticulturist Phil Coturri, and is fast gaining a reputation for producing some of the best Cabernet Sauvignon in Napa Valley.

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. We chose to bottle our inaugural vintage of Oakville Ranch vineyard-designate Cabernet Sauvignon in 1.5L Magnums only to salute this exceptional vineyard site. Barrels were selected and blended from individual lots of clones 337, 4, and 169 that we vinified separately and aged in French oak barrels for 20 months.

FERMENTATION & BOTTLING DETAILS

- 100% berry-sorted Cabernet Sauvignon
- Open-top fermentation
- Native yeast
- 75% new French oak
- Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered
- Bottled June 2017

FINISHED WINE DETAILS

- Alcohol: 14.5%
- pH: 3.6
- TA: 6 g/L
- Release date: Spring 2018
- AVA: Oakville

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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

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Winemaker

Randy Bennett
Associate Winemaker