

# 2017 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

Napa and Sonoma endured tragic wildfires in 2017 at the end of harvest. We feel very fortunate that our Cabernet Sauvignon wines emerged unharmed and our winery remained safe. These wines offer robust fruit flavors and silky textures. Balanced vines and temperature fluctuations resulted in layers of flavors and complexity in the wines. Oakville Ranch Vineyard fared extremely well in 2017, as it ripened early and was picked prior to the fires. The vines offered rich fruit and balanced acidity. 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 unfined and unfiltered
- · Bottled June 2019

#### FINISHED WINE DETAILS

- Alcohol: 14.5%
- pH: 3.57
- TA: 6.2 g/L
- · Release date: Fall 2020
- Retail Price: \$125
- 150 cases produced
- AVA: Oakville

#### 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.

Erich Bradley Winemaker