

2017 Kelly Fleming Estate Cabernet Sauvignon

Vintage Notes:

The 2017 season was one of extremes - we were graced with abundant rainfall over the winter, only to be followed by several intense heat waves throughout the summer and ripening period. With a reserve of water in the soil the grapes were harvested at peak ripening by October 2nd, 6 days before the North Bay fires broke out acrosss Napa and Sonoma counties. We are grateful for the beautiful expression of our Estate Vineyard that came from this memorable vintage, and are reminded of how each wine tells a story of place and time - even during the most challenging of times.

Winemaker's Notes:

Aromatically intriguing, the 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon offers a rich blend of vibrant cherry and cranberry fruit notes, harmoniously interplayed with undertones of tobacco, sage and cedar. The palate is smooth and broad, with a beautiful tension built into the core of this wine: fine-grained tannins provide structure and ageability when layered on top of ripe black cherry, orange spice, and lush dark chocolate flavors. The finish illustrates the tried and true characters of this vineyard – dark cherry fruit and savory spice laced with velvety tannins and lively minerality.

Grape Source: Kelly Fleming Estate Vineyard

Appellation: Calistoga, Napa Valley

Winemaking Team: Rebecca George & Francoise Peschon

Vineyard Manager: Mike Wolf Blend: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Alcohol: 14.9%

Oak Profile: French oak barrels (80% new)

Aging: 20 months

Cases produced: 658 Cases Bottled: June 21st, 2019

