

LAUREL GLEN

Vineyard

2015 ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON
SONOMA MOUNTAIN



THE STORY

Laurel Glen Vineyard faces east, above the fog line. This optimal exposure captures the first rays of morning sunlight and avoids the burning heat of late afternoon. The thin, rocky soils promote efficient drainage and restrain vigor.

The vineyard earned CCOF Organic Certification in 2014, thanks to the efforts of Viticulturist Phil Coturri. In addition to developing a comprehensive schedule of cover crops, he has updated the vineyard's trellising system and pruning practices to achieve more even ripening and better concentration in the grapes.

VINTAGE NOTES

Late spring rain and cold weather in 2015 caused poor fruit set and led to the formation of a tiny crop. The beautiful mild summer weather that followed allowed for the small number and size of berries to develop excellent flavors. However, when picking ended on September 29th, we counted 17 tons of Cabernet Sauvignon from our 14 acre estate vineyard, vs. 39 tons the year before. The only saving grace was the exceptional quality of the fruit we harvested.

TASTING NOTES

"Very perfumed aromas of blackberry and blueberry creating a jammy palate impression. The acidity in the wine lifts the big complex flavors, with a hint of dark chocolate, giving the wine an unexpected freshness. All culminating in a long finish with pronounced, yet elegant, tannins. If I had to sum up this wine in one word, it would be 'delicious.'" - Randall Watkins, Winemaker

PRESS

94 - "The grand vin is the 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon Laurel Glen Vineyard Estate and it's a regal, balanced, complete wine from this team that offers beautiful minerality as well as notes of creme de cassis, crushed rocks, violets, and tobacco. Medium to full-bodied, incredibly elegant and seamless, it's not a blockbuster and shines for awesome purity and balance. It's going to benefit from 2-4 years of bottle age and keep for 15-20 years. The 2015 is all Cabernet Sauvignon that was brought up in 55% new French Taransaud barrels, with the balance in once used barrels." - **Jeb Dunnuck (6/14/2019)**

APPELLATION:
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VARIETAL COMPOSITION:
100% Cabernet Sauvignon,
100% Estate Grown

CASE PRODUCTION:
780 - 9L cases

ALCOHOL: 14.2%

PERCENT NEW OAK:
55% New,
100% Tonellerie Taransaud