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NAPA VALLEY HOWELL MOUNTAIN CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2016



WINEMAKING:

Classic vintage for this higher-altitude fruit, with steady diurnal shifts and even ripening above the Valley's fog line around 1,600 feet elevation. Its small clusters were hand-harvested before dawn and hand-sorted before traditional fermentation, with 21-days on the skins. Aged in 100% new French oak barrels for 29 months, with native malolactic fermentation completed by its first spring.

TASTING NOTES:

Concentration & focus... a star student, this wine has both. Austere mountain soil meets the abundant sunshine of this southwest-facing slope, its light crop proffering rich aromas of ripe stone fruit and blackberry bramble. Hints of cigar box compliment flavors of stewed cherry on the mid-palate and a long finish of clove and capsicum that will age superbly for 15-20 years.

TECHNICAL DATA:

Varietal: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Vineyard: Cimarossa Vineyard

Appellation: Howell Mountain, Napa Valley

Alcohol: 14.5%

Total Production: 204 cases Retail: \$120.00 / 750 mL