

DAVIES

VINEYARDS

2016 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Napa Valley

The Davies family, proprietors of Schramsberg Vineyards and the J. Davies Estate in Napa Valley, presents its fifth vintage of Davies Vineyards Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon. Expanding on knowledge gained through the production of the J. Davies Cabernet Sauvignon wines from their Diamond Mountain estate, this bottling offers a broader exploration of the Napa Valley. A diverse blend of vineyards—from the valley floor to both the Mayacamas and Vaca mountain ranges—has allowed the winemaking team to craft a deliciously layered and balanced 2016 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon.

The Vineyards

Five vineyards sites from across Napa Valley have come together to construct this wine. One vineyard from the lush, alluvial soils on the valley floor in Rutherford, contributes a core of deep flavors and firm tannins. Moving just off the valley floor, at the foot of Mount St. Helena in Calistoga, is a site that springs from white soils, yielding softer and brighter fruitful nuances. Towards the southern edge of the Vaca Mountain range, a gently rising Coombsville vineyard adds darker fruit elements to the blend. Finally, two rugged mountain hillside sites with volcanic soil composition are included. From Diamond Mountain on the west side of the valley and Howell Mountain on the east, low-yielding vines produced ripe red fruit for balance and structure.

The 2016 vintage was a near-perfect growing season with ideal weather conditions throughout. Thanks to a relatively steady and mild July/August, followed by a series of warm days at the end of the growing season, vineyards were able to progress to perfect ripeness for the light yields that were present.



Tasting Notes

“The 2016 Napa Valley Cabernet opens with rich aromas of spiced cherry, red plum and cranberry, accentuated by undertones of red licorice, vanilla and cinnamon. Well-integrated tannins anchor the wine’s palate where the fruitful entry of blackberry, pomegranate and red currant leads to an equally smooth finish of fig, Indian spice and nutmeg.”

- Winemakers Sean Thompson and Hugh Davies

- Consulting Winemaker Celia Welch

Varietal Composition:	87% Cabernet Sauvignon, 9% Petit Verdot, 4% Malbec
Appellations:	Napa Valley
Barrel Aging:	22 months, 52% in new French oak
Coopers:	Vicard, Taransaud, Darnajou
Alcohol:	14.6 %
TA:	0.61 g/100 mL
pH:	3.78
Harvest Dates:	September 19 - October 22, 2016
Bottling Date:	August 31, 2018
Release Date:	February 1, 2019
Cases Produced:	575 (9-Liter)
Suggested Retail:	\$65
Available Format:	750 mL