

Trefethen

2016 HĀLO

THE VINTAGE

Much of our winter rain came late, with almost 12 inches in March alone. After a very warm spring, July and August were cooler than average, with foggy mornings, mild sunny afternoons and no severe heat spells. Vineyard temperatures rose again in September and harvest dates were early by about two weeks. The heat in the spring and again in the fall provided welcome bookends to the mild summer. The grapes benefited from increased hang time and showed fantastic character development.

THE WINE

This is an age-worthy wine that is exuberant, expressive, and ultimately exquisite. Aromas of cedar, tar, vanilla and blackberry are complemented by irresistible flavors of cassis, fresh plum, and a dusting of cocoa powder. Lingering threads of pepper and bay leaf carry through the bright but soft and silky finish.

FOOD AFFINITIES

At the winery, Chef Chris has created specific recipes which highlight the delicious notes of this exceptional Cabernet Sauvignon. Try it with our Pepper and Thyme Crusted Roast Beef, Cheesy Buttery Mashed Potatoes, or Red Wine Congee with Braised Beef Short Rib.

96 POINTS

RATED BY CGCW AS ONE OF THE THREE BEST RED WINES TASTED IN 2020

Connoisseurs' Guide to California Wine 2020



VARIETAL

96% Cabernet Sauvignon
2% Petit Verdot
1% Merlot
1% Malbec

APPELLATION

Oak Knoll District of Napa Valley

ESTATE VINEYARD

100% Hillspring

HARVEST

September 21–October 5

OAK

30 months in 100% new
Marchive French

ALCOHOL

14.5%

