

STAGLIN

FAMILY VINEYARD

2016 ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Rutherford, Napa Valley

<i>Release Date</i>	October 1, 2019
<i>Harvest Dates</i>	September 22nd - October 11th, 2016
<i>Barrel Aging</i>	20 Months
<i>Oak</i>	100% French, 89% new, 11% used
<i>Blend</i>	89% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Cabernet Franc, 3% Petit Verdot
<i>Alcohol</i>	14.9%

Tasting Notes



2016 was yet another superb growing season that began with a warm and dry winter in what has become our extended drought which lead to what has now become the normal 'early' budbreak which was again supported by fortuitously timed February rains. A relatively hot early season and start to summer pushed the pace and the expectation of an early harvest but a significant cooling shift occurred at the end of July, tapping the brakes enough for a more extended hang time allowing increased flavor development and a slightly later than expected start to the harvest.

Reveling in tension and potential, the coiled and energetic 2016 Staglin Cabernet is remarkable for its facets. Midnight dark fruits collide with forested earth amidst herbal delights that bring effusive lift and vibrant resonance to this concentrated elixir. Black raspberries, blackcurrants and black cherries mulled with cardamom, nutmeg and finely ground black pepper converge over pecan wood roasted meats hinted with fresh cedar shavings and rubbed rosemary resulting in a delightfully dark concoction that thrills the senses.