



GALLICA

2015 CABERNET SAUVIGNON NAPA VALLEY | OAKVILLE

Precocious and showy, the 2015 has striking similarity to young 2005 wines upon release. Graced with forward fruit, yet with great length and precision, ample pleasure and generosity can be found now with decanting. Great care was employed at harvest to sort and gently handle each cluster before fermentation, all worthwhile to achieve refined and plush tannins so evident in this bottling. Cabernet Sauvignon from this rocky site is alluring and energetic with notes of white chocolate, pomegranate, and forest floor. As in most of the recent drought years, Cabernet Franc has been the imposing architecture of the blend carrying a signature of sweet tobacco, rose petal and dried chrysanthemum. Bottled without fining or filtration. California Certified Organic Vineyard.

2015 Growing Season | A significantly low rainfall year with the majority of precipitation occurring in February and virtually no rain in January. The growing season and budbreak were off to an early start- the result of above average temperatures in March. Overall, the season was challenging in the vineyard due to elevated summer temperatures and low relative humidity with little fog. Great care was taken with canopy management and fruit positioning. The vintage will be remembered for its small crop, substantial tannin, and impressive wine quality.

"Captures all the natural intensity, breadth and volume of this site on Oakville's Upper Plateau."

Antonio Galloni | Vinous | 96 PTS

"It's a gorgeous Cabernet that has everything you could want from this Vintage."

Jeb Dunnuck | December 29, 2017 | 95+ PTS

"Gosh, it's very smart. Essence of Napa Valley Cabernet with none of the excess.... I've just compared this with Les Forts de Latour 2015 and prefer this. It's richer and sunnier but not heavy."

Jancis Robinson | April 2021 | 18 PTS / 20

VARIETAL: 75% Cabernet Sauvignon | 25% Cabernet Franc

WINEMAKING: Bottled without fining or filtration in June 2017

DRINK WINDOW: Hold / Try

VINEYARD: Oakville Ranch Vineyard

ALCOHOL: 14.5 %

