



GALLICA

2017 CABERNET SAUVIGNON NAPA VALLEY | OAKVILLE

The 2017 vintage is a story of resiliency and amazing vineyard attention resulting in one of our finest bottlings. Cool and rainy April days gave way to three warm heat events which advanced ripening and winery preparations. Gallica's harvest started in August and we picked Cabernet Sauvignon from Oakville on September 27th. The 2017 Gallica Oakville Cabernet Sauvignon shares many characteristics with the notable 2015 bottling - warm and sappy, structurally built to age with sweet and fine tannin. Subtle hints of dried sage, blackberry and cocoa powder are evident but the wine leans towards savory, with some black olive, and dried tobacco. Round and supple, this vintage can be appreciated now with the promise of further enjoyment and worthy of bottle aging. Tasted at our blind January 2022 Retrospective Tasting we were impressed by the balance of this yummy wine. CCOF - California Certified Organic Farming

2017 Growing Season | A demanding vintage where experienced and thoughtful farming paid off | Epic rainfall fell well into April filling creeks, reservoirs, and replenishing the water table | Lush cover crops and early vigorous growth kept us busy and required extra hands and attention to canopy detail | A cool start to the growing season gave way to warm temperatures accelerating harvest dates.

"Blended with 16% Cabernet Franc, the 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville is deep garnet-purple in color and springs from glass with expressive black currant cordial, warm plums and blueberry compote plus Indian spices, earth and lilacs with a cedar waft. The palate is medium to full-bodied, firm, grainy and packed with expressive fruit and with seamless freshness, finishing long. Very impressive!"

Robert Parker | The Wine Advocate | October 2019 | 96 PTS

"This wine is structured and graceful, from the a magnificent site in the eastern hills of the appellation. Blended with 16% Cabernet Franc, it is tight and grippy in tannins, with layers of black currant, compost, cranberry and clove. The structure is enviable and ageworthy."

Virginie Boone | Wine Enthusiast | August 2020 | 95 PTS

VARIETAL: 84% Cabernet Sauvignon | 16% Cabernet Franc

WINEMAKING: Bottled without fining or filtration in June 2019

DRINK WINDOW: Hold / Try

VINEYARD: Oakville Ranch Vineyard

ALCOHOL: 14.1 %

