

2016 GREG NORMAN ESTATES

NAPA VALLEY RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON



WINEMAKER: Margo Van Staaveren
REGION: Napa Valley, California
VARIETALS: Cabernet Sauvignon
MATURATION: 19 months in 100% new French oak
ANALYSIS: 15.0% alc/vol | 6.5 g/L TA | 3.77 pH

REGION: The Napa Valley is best known for growing world class Cabernet Sauvignon. For the inaugural vintage of the Reserve Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, the majority of the fruit came from the St. Helena region, which sits in the heart of northern Napa Valley. Consisting of unique volcanic soils and geology, and enjoying a Mediterranean climate with strong diurnal swings, this sought after appellation provides ideal conditions for Cabernet Sauvignon to thrive.

WINEMAKING: The fruit was picked in the cool of the morning and transported to the winery where it was destemmed and crushed into small open top tanks. Once fermentation was complete the wine was pressed and transferred into 100% new French oak barrels for malolactic fermentation. After 19 months all barrels were tasted, with only the best lots selected for the final blend.

TASTING NOTES: Layers of brambly berry, rhubarb and boysenberry fruit aromas are complemented by cardamom spice and earthy, lavender notes. The complex nose, evolving with time in the glass, leads to an inviting, opulently textured mouthfeel with plush flavors of perfectly ripened berries, currants and a pronounced chocolaty richness. This is a well-structured wine, defined by grace and balance, with a firm backbone yet is elegant and approachable.

ABOUT GREG NORMAN ESTATES: Greg Norman, known as much for his entrepreneurial spirit in the boardroom as his dominance on the golf course, is arguably the most successful athlete-turned-businessman. His unyielding approach to both golf and life earned him the nickname, The Great White Shark. Created from a family passion and strengthened by determination, Greg Norman Estates, founded in 1996, is a collection of fine wines sourced from stunning wine regions in California, New Zealand, and Greg's homeland of Australia. The selected growing regions are appreciated for the incredible wines they produce and the personal influence they have had on the Norman family over Greg's many years professionally touring the world. A strong believer in the role of wine as part of an active, easygoing lifestyle, Greg's aim is to produce approachable yet bold wines to be enjoyed by family, fans and wine enthusiasts alike.

