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2017 Vintage Notes

The year began with abundant rainfall, followed by a mild Spring resulting in extended flowering with little shatter. A Labor Day weekend heatwave kicked harvest into high gear, then cool weather allowed sugar levels to return to normal. By October 8 nearly 90 percent of the 2017 grape tonnage was in when warm, fierce winds fueled an unprecedented firestorm. Napa Valley's winemakers remain committed to upholding the region's reputation for making some of the world's finest wines and early articles about the 2017 vintage describe the wines with words such as "finesse," "great complexity of flavor" and "elegant."

2017 Cultivar Oak Knoll Cabernet Franc

This stunning wine opens with aroma of raspberries, Bing cherries, cardamom, tobacco and white pepper. There are notes of herbs de provence running through the aroma as well. On the palate full fresh raspberries and currant fruit are intertwined with sweet oak, and bright spices. The palate is opulent with just the right amount of tannin. A long silky finish. Pairs well with a wide variety of foods from Asian inspired dishes, roasted duck, roasted turkey and grilled salmon.

Varietal

100% Cabernet Franc

Appellations

100% Oak Knoll

Barrel Aging

16 months, 100% French Oak, 20% New French Oak

Alcohol

14.3%

Production

88 Cases