

RAMEY

Pedregal Vineyard. OAKVILLE - NAPA VALLEY

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

VINEYARDS

Appellation Oakville

Site "Pedregal" means a rocky place in Spanish, and that is certainly a distinguishing feature of the

site. This is a small, hillside vineyard on the lower slopes of eastern Oakville that's planted to

85% Cabernet Sauvignon and 15% Petit Verdot.

During 2008 we agreed to a long-term lease of this vineyard which gives us complete control

even through any change in ownership. Our farming team, headed by Mike Neal, planted this

vineyard in 1990 and has farmed it continuously since.

Soil Iron-rich red soil, 85% basalt rock

Clonal Selection The Cabernet Sauvignon is Clone 7. The Petit Verdot is Sterling selection.

Planted The Cabernet Sauvignon was planted on St. George and 110R rootstock with 4'x8' spacing in

1990. The Petit Verdot was planted on 110R rootstock with 4'x6' spacing in 1993.

VINTAGE

Growing Season 2012 turned out to be a perfect vintage with clear sunny days and cool evenings. This

produced a long, moderate growing season with extended hang time and even ripening, resulting in optimum tannin maturity and a deep range of flavors. The vintage ended with a textbook harvest starting on September 1st and ending exactly two months later on Halloween.

Brix | Harvest Dates 25.6° (Cabernet Sauvignon), 25° (Petit Verdot) | October 4 (CS), October 12 (PV)

WINEMAKING

Varietal Compositon 85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Petit Verdot co-fermented and 4% Cabernet Franc

Fermentation Native-yeast and full natural malolactic fermentations.

Aging the 2012 sur lies with monthly bâtonnage has coated the tannins and smoothly integrated

the wood. We left this vintage 19 months in 100% new French barrels (Taransaud and

Darnajou). Non-filtered.

Cases | Release Date 650 | September 2015

Alcohol 14.5%

"This is our ninth vintage from this small, outstanding vineyard on the lower slopes of the eastern Oakville hills." —David Ramey