



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 is planted to 85% Cabernet Sauvignon and 15% Petit Verdot. In 2008, we agreed to a long-term lease of this vineyard giving us complete control even through change in ownership.
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	Winter 2015 was the warmest on record, resulting in early bud break. Cooler, wetter weather in spring months slowed development, however, leading to a challenging, extended bloom period. The resulting uneven fruit set translated to a small crop and smaller berries with very concentrated flavors. Weather throughout the summer growing season was consistently warm, bringing on a very early harvest.
Brix Harvest Date	25.8° average September 9

WINEMAKING

Varietal Composition	89% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Petit Verdot: co-fermented
Fermentation	Native-yeast and full natural malolactic fermentations
Aging	Aging the 2015 <i>sur lies</i> with bi-monthly <i>bâtonnage</i> has coated the tannins and smoothly integrated the wood. We aged this vintage 23 months in new French oak barrels (Taransaud). Non-filtered
Cases Alcohol	647 14.5%
Release Date Price	September 2018 \$200

“This is our twelfth vintage from this small, outstanding vineyard on the lower slopes of the eastern Oakville hills.”
– David Ramey
