



# RAMEY

## *Cabernet Sauvignon*

NAPA VALLEY

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### VINEYARDS

<b>Appellation</b>	Napa Valley - 42% St. Helena, 19% Napa Valley, 10% Oak Knoll, 8% Napa-Carneros, 8% Mt. Veeder, 5% Sonoma County, 4% Rutherford, 4% Oakville
<b>Soil</b>	The geology and soils of Napa Valley are complex and primarily comprised of broken down or decomposed rock that has been carried downhill from the eastern Vaca range and the western Mayacamas range into the base of the valley, where they ultimately intermingle with the silt, clay and gravel deposits of the Napa River flood plain.

### VINTAGE

<b>Growing Season</b>	2016 began with another very early bloom, leading to a very early harvest; our first fruit arrived August 5. During maturation, summer temperatures were warm and steady, with fewer heat spikes than 2015. Three weeks of cool weather in August and September relaxed the pace of harvest, allowing for methodical picking decisions and perfectly developed fruit. Yields were relatively average – down from 2014 and up from 2015.
<b>Harvest Dates   Brix</b>	September 8 to October 11   25.0° average

### WINEMAKING

<b>Varietal Composition</b>	82% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Merlot, 6% Petit Verdot, 2% Malbec, and 2% Cab Franc
<b>Fermentation</b>	Native-yeast and malolactic fermentations
<b>Aging</b>	Aging sur lies with bi-monthly bâtonnage coats the tannins and integrates the wood. The 2016 vintage matured 28 months in 48% new French oak barrels (Taransaud & Demptos). Non-filtered
<b>Cases   Alcohol</b>	7,085   14.5%
<b>Release Date   Price</b>	December 2021   \$65

*Our twelfth vintage of this appellation Cabernet is blended from a combination of hillside and valley floor vineyards. Our style combines the harmony produced by traditional Bordelaise winemaking techniques with the voluptuousness gained from California's weather, especially in this perfect vintage. – David Ramey*

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