



RAMEY

Cabernet Sauvignon
PEDREGAL VINEYARD.
OAKVILLE - NAPA VALLEY

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
Planted	The Cabernet Sauvignon (Clone 7) was planted on St. George and 110R rootstock with 4' x 8' spacing in 1990. The Petit Verdot (Sterling selection) was planted on 110R rootstock with 4' x 6' spacing in 1993.

VINTAGE

Growing Season	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.
Brix Harvest Date	24.2° average September 17 & 21

WINEMAKING

Varietal Composition	87% Cabernet Sauvignon, 13% Petit Verdot: co-fermented
Fermentation	Native-yeast and full natural malolactic fermentations
Aging	Aging <i>sur lies</i> with bi-monthly <i>bâtonnage</i> coats the tannins and integrates the wood. The 2016 vintage matured 24 months in new French oak barrels (Taransaud). Non-filtered
Cases Alcohol	239 14.5%
Release Date Price	September 2020 \$200

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