



RAMEY

Cabernet Sauvignon
PEDREGAL VINEYARD.
OAKVILLE - NAPA VALLEY

VINEYARDS

Appellation	Oakville – Napa Valley
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	2017 began with a very wet winter. The summer was mild until a significant heatwave around Labor Day. Afterward, temperatures were warm and steady, allowing winemakers to make picking decisions based on optimal fruit maturity rather than impending weather. Yields were average to light. Fruit quality ranged from great to exceptional, with well-preserved acids.
Harvest Date Brix	September 6 (Petit Verdot) & 30 (Cabernet Sauvignon) 25.1° average

WINEMAKING

Varietal Composition	80% Cabernet Sauvignon and 20% Petit Verdot, co-fermented
Fermentation	Native-yeast and full natural malolactic fermentations
Aging	The 2017 Pedregal rested on its lees for 24 months in new French oak barrels (Taransaud) with bi-monthly bâtonnage to coat the tannins and smoothly integrate the wood. The wine was then lightly fined with egg whites and bottled without filtration in March 2020.
Price	\$200

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