



ALPHA OMEGA

Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley 2016



ABOUT ALPHA OMEGA

Alpha Omega, established in 2006, is a family-owned, boutique winery in the heart of Napa Valley on the Rutherford Bench. Handcrafting wines from historic and estate-farmed vineyards throughout Napa Valley, Alpha Omega's winemakers combine the Old World's philosophy of balance with the New World's state-of-the-art techniques and natural fruit opulence. The results are wines that uniquely express the essence of the terroir of this legendary wine region through prized vineyards and masterful blending.

WINEMAKER NOTES

2016 was a near-perfect growing season thanks to ideal weather conditions, giving Napa Valley another winner in a series of historic vintages. Spring budbreak came early due to dry and relatively warm soils from a drought winter. There was a slight carry-over effect of that advanced timing in producing a low flower count and lighter fruit set (fewer potential grapes and smaller clusters at maturity). However, the thinner grape population was actually beneficial as it focused the vine's flavor energy on fewer bunches. Minimal heat spells and consistently cool nights across the summer months allowed the clusters to ripen slowly and evenly while protecting their vitally important natural acidity.

VINEYARD NOTES

Alpha Omega has long term-leases on each of the vineyards that we farm for our Cabernet Sauvignon 2016. Farming by our Alpha Omega Vineyard Management team allows for the level of control vital to our mission of producing world-class wine. For this vintage, our Cabernet Sauvignon was handcrafted from fruit from a range of exceptional Napa Valley terroirs in the sub-appellations of Coombsville, Atlas Peak, Spring Mountain and Oakville.

COLOR	Deep, dark eggplant with magenta on the rim
ON THE NOSE	Concentrated, deep nose with touches of macerated strawberries, daffodils and tulips with touches of black pepper, slate, oregano, oranges and chocolate
ON THE PALATE	Powerful but round entrance evolving on a dense mid palate with structured tannins lingering on cassis, pomegranate, black cherry
BLEND	92% Cabernet Sauvignon, 4% Cabernet Franc, 3% Merlot, 1% Petit Verdot
FERMENTATION	96% barrel fermented, 4% stainless steel fermented
AGING	22 months, 100% French oak, 75% new, 25% 1-year-old barrels
VINEYARDS	Green Valley (Coombsville), Keller (Coombsville), Circle R (Atlas Peak), Partridge (St. Helena), Newton (Spring Mountain), Sklar (Oakville)