



2017 ODETTE ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON STAGS LEAP



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Tucked into the dramatic palisades of the Stags Leap District, our estate vineyard sits on 45 magnificent acres. Ultramodern architecture and design, paired with a contemporary stance on environmental responsibility, Odette is symbolic of the future of Stags Leap. Odette is committed to producing full-bodied Cabernet Sauvignons that are notable for the combination of power and finesse, while simultaneously showcasing the unique terroir of the estate.

HARVEST

We kicked off the 2017 calendar year with a bounty of rain, followed by a mellow spring resulting in good berry set with very little shatter, and clusters that were slightly below average in size. The summer was warm and sunny leading up to Labor Day, when we received a short heat spike for a few days. The ensuing weather throughout September was rather mild which allowed for additional hang time and phenolic ripeness while sugar levels remained stable. In 2017, we flagged 28 different picks across the Estate over a 10 day span. The majority of the Estate fruit for this blend was picked at the very end of September with the last remaining lots coming in the first few days of October.

FERMENTATION & AGING

Fermentation took place in fully jacketed stainless steel fermenters after a four day cold soak at 55 degrees Fahrenheit. Macerations lasted 6-10 days at a maximum temperature of 95 degrees Fahrenheit. Malolactic fermentation took place in barrel and finished up in late winter. The blend was crafted in the early spring of 2018 granting sufficient time to marry together over the next 15 months with minimal racking. The wine was aged in 75% new French Oak barrels and 25% used French Oak barrels for 20 months prior to bottling.

IMPRESSIONS

The 2017 Odette Estate Cabernet Sauvignon, Stags Leap District is a full bodied wine poised with charisma and energy, carrying notes of wild raspberries, luxardo cherries, plums, crème de cassis, lilacs, rose petals and potpourri that all marry together seamlessly as they dance across the palate. Multifaceted, layered and vibrant, this thrilling example of Cabernet Sauvignon brings precision and focus to the long persistent finish.

92 Points



VARIETALS/BLEND 78% Cabernet Sauvignon
 12% Merlot
 8% Malbec
 2% Petit Verdot

PRODUCTION 1400 Cases