NORTH COAST CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2015

APPELLATION

North Coast

Grapes come from Napa, Sonoma, Lake, and Mendocino Counties. The high diurnal in Red Hills shifts creating balanced ripeness and complexity. Mendocino's cool coastal climate contributes elegance and finesse

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

80% Cabernet Sauvignon
16% Merlot,
4% Petite Sirah, Cabernet Franc

WINEMAKING PHILOSPHY

Josh Cellars is a negociant brand, so we don't own a winery or any vineyards, much like some of the world's greatest chateaux in Bordeaux & Burgundy. We do, however, work with California's best growers to build a superior wine blend. Our winemaker spent over a decade making sparkling wine at one of the world's largest and most prestigious champagne houses, where blending distinct lots is essential to making great wine. Those experiences make him uniquely qualified to source and assemble wine blends of great character and complexity, in the signature Josh Cellars style: fruit-forward and rich, with approachable tannins and a long finish.

VINTAGE NOTES

The vintage 2015 in the North Coast started exceptionally early and the summer was quite hot with drought dampening yields. Although limited in quantity, the quality of the yield is high with intense fruit flavors, color and body.*

WINE PROFILE

Appearance: Deep ruby with concentrated legs on the glass
Nose: Bursting with dark fruits and roasted nuts, with aromas of fresh black cherries, blackcurrant, rose pedal, and roasted walnuts
Palate: Rich flavors of black cherries, toasted hazelnuts, fresh sage, mocha, and subtle vanilla and oak flavors. Tannins are firm in their youth but will soften with age
Food Pairings: Grilled steak, short ribs, roasted duck

TECHNICAL DATA

Alc: 14.1%
pH: 3.7
TA: 5.6 g/L
RS: 3.5 g/L

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*Wine Harvest Report 2015" Wine Spectator 11/13/2015

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