

KATHRYN HALL CABERNET SAUVIGNON

HALL
NAPA VALLEY

2016

TASTING NOTES

The 2016 Kathryn Hall is deep ruby in color with enticing aromas of cassis, violet, cacao, anise and black tea.

This powerful vintage sets the stage for a full-bodied Cabernet Sauvignon with layered notes of dark plum, ripe blackberry, anise, pine needle, and violet. The firm tannins are well integrated and provide a structured backbone to this opulent wine.

WINEGROWING NOTES

The Kathryn Hall Cabernet Sauvignon is the pinnacle of our blending efforts each year. The exalted Sacrashe Vineyard takes center stage, and is the basis of this blend. The vineyard contributes the mouth-coating richness and complexity, offering deep, dark earthy cassis flavors and powerfully dense tannins. From there, we search out complementary vineyards, usually from the most regarded mountain appellations, to create balance, symmetry, and finesse in the wine. Lastly, we introduce vineyards with profound depth and decadence to heighten the voluptuousness and opulence that have become a hallmark character of our flagship wine.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2016 vintage marked the end of the drought years, although precipitation levels were still moderate to low. Near-perfect growing conditions continued throughout the summer with a few heat spikes that the valley is known for. Yields were a bit lower than normal, but the quality of the harvest was high. The resulting wine is rich and lush, with supple tannins and opulent, elegant finishes. Wines from 2016 are a fifth consecutive vintage of stellar Napa Valley wines.



APPELLATION

Napa Valley

VINEYARDS

Sacrashe & Vineyard Partners

VARIETAL

90% Cabernet Sauvignon
10% Merlot

BARREL COMPOSITION

80% New French Oak

BARREL AGING

26 Months

ALCOHOL

16.1%

WINEMAKER

Steve Leveque

ACCOLADES

97 Points, Lisa Perrotti-Brown
The Wine Advocate

96 Points, James Molesworth
Wine Spectator

94-96 Points (barrel)
Jeb Dunnuck, *Wine Critic*

91-94 Points (barrel)
Antonio Galloni, *Vinous*