

CLARK-CLAUDON

VINEYARDS

2016 Eternity Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

Brilliance x2!

The 2016 vintage continues to receive acclaim from growers, vintners and wine writers alike. Many say 2016 was the best growing season out of the last 5 exceptional vintages. Can these wines keep getting better? My 8-year-old granddaughter Finley says it best. "The 2016 Eternity is Amazing!"

To match the quality of the 2016 fruit exceptional care was utilized during harvest, fermentation and aging. That translated to the best of the best fruit being hand harvested on a cool starry night and placed into small boxes. Those chosen grapes are further sorted by hand at the winery. Then an optical sorter determines the final cut. These perfect whole grapes are barrel fermented, hand punched down and then aged for two years in 80% new French oak and one year in the bottle.

While many 2016's were released last fall, our "no short cuts" process means you have to wait longer for Eternity. Yet, once you open the bottle and for many, many years to come, you will appreciate the love and extra care that went into this truly gorgeous wine.

TASTING NOTES

The 2016 Eternity Reserve Cabernet is a wine you will long remember. Like the season that produced it, our 2016 Eternity is beyond generous in all ways. My favorite aromas of violets, black cherries, cassis & plums burst from the deep garnet hues of this dense, full bodied wine. This is followed by a velvety mouthfeel and layer upon layer of chocolate dipped dark fruit. The refined tannins and incredibly long finish may mean this wine will outlive me! There is something poetic about that, but I suspect I will still be here enjoying it 20 years from now.

REVIEWS

"Composed entirely of Cabernet, the deep garnet-purple colored 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon Eternity leaps from the glass with fragrant violets, black cherries, plum preserves and cassis with nuances of dark chocolate, pencil shavings and menthol. Full-bodied, rich, concentrated and laden with black fruit layers, it has firm, finely grained tannins and seamless freshness, finishing with epic length.

85 cases produced. Drink Date 2021 - 2040"

Wine Advocate 96pts

VINTAGE FACT

Grape Source: 17 acres, Napa Valley, Hillside, Single Vineyard, Certified Sustainable

Varietal Content: Estate Cabernet

Percent Alcohol: 14.7%

Aging: Barrel fermented & aged for 2 years in 80% new French Oak

Winemaker: Jean Hoefliger

Vineyard Team: Tom Clark & Josh Clark; Clark Vineyard Management

Production: 85 cases