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 LONG MEADOW RANCH

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## 2016 CABERNET SAUVIGNON NAPA VALLEY

VINEYARD: Estate Grown at our Mayacamas & Rutherford Estates

VARIETAL: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

**ALCOHOL:** 13.5%

MATURATION: 18 months in 50% new French oak, 50% neutral French oak

**FOOD AFFINITIES:** LMR Grass-fed beef, braised lamb shanks, or roasted game

## WINEMAKER TASTING NOTES:

"Classic in style and always respectful of varietal character, the 2016 Napa Valley represents everything you expect from a Long Meadow Ranch Cabernet. This balanced blend of fruit from our mountain and valley estates has an inviting nose of fresh black cherry, marionberry, and plum. More subtle notes of vanilla, cedar and green tea leaves bring nuance to a palate bright with the mountain fruit acidity and rich in the valley fruit's velvety tannins. This wine is lovely to drink now and for years to come."

– Justin Carr

## **GROWING SEASON:**

An early bud break, wet spring soils, and a long growing season produced a vintage with excellent quality. A wet spring started fast and rapid growth was met with average summer temperatures, which slowed development and reduced yields. The result was a moderate crop of well-concentrated fruit that ripened fully and slowly before an early harvest.

## LONG MEADOW RANCH:

Owned by Ted, Laddie, and Christopher Hall, LMR employs an integrated, organic farming system, using simple, sustainable methods. Each part of the Ranch contributes to the health of the whole. Vineyards and wine making, olive orchards and olive oil making, cattle and horse breeding all work together in complementary fashion, as do the egg-laying poultry flock and the organic vegetable gardens. All crops are certified organic by California Certified Organic Farmers (CCOF) and are grown without the use of herbicides, pesticides, or chemical fertilizers.

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