



ESTD 1872

LONG MEADOW RANCH
WINERY

NAPA VALLEY



2017 E.J. CHURCH CABERNET SAUVIGNON RESERVE NAPA VALLEY

This reserve wine takes its name from E.J. Church, Long Meadow Ranch's pioneering settler who acquired the property via a patent grant from President Ulysses S. Grant in 1872. We have replanted the southwest-facing vineyards which E.J. Church established in the 1870s. These mountain-grown grapes, planted at 1300 feet elevation develop deep fruit flavors and ripe tannins which are handcrafted into an elegant, balanced wine.

VINEYARD: Estate Grown at 1,100 ft at our Mountain Estate

VARIETAL COMPOSITION: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

ALCOHOL: 13.5%

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

CASE PRODUCTION: 591

FOOD AFFINITIES: LMR grass-fed beef, lamb, or roasted game

WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS:

"Deep garnet red and fresh with mountain fruit acidity, this wine showcases select barrels from our Mountain Estate vineyard blocks. Bing cherry and raspberry are prominent on the nose with fine layers of black currant, cardamom, and dried black tea leaves. Accompanying the acid on the palate are well integrated oak notes and elegant tannins that linger long after finish. This is a beautiful and ageworthy wine."

– Justin Carr

GROWING SEASON:

Abundant rainfall and a mild spring resulted in an extended flowering period and vigorous vines. Warming temperatures in August resulted in harvest beginning early for white varietals, but cool weather followed, allowing sugar levels to balance and extend the season allowing for a beautiful crop.

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.