

GRIEVE

Family Winery



2016 DOUBLE EAGLE RED WINE NAPA VALLEY

VINTAGE

The last of five consecutive drought-influenced vintages, 2016 is considered one of, if not the best Napa vintages of the decade, noted for its striking terroir transparency. The near perfect growing season got off to a warm start, setting the stage for what appeared to be another early season. However, cooler weather in August slowed the pace, reducing vine stress and extending hang time over the course of a long, slow harvest. The result was lower than normal yields of Cabernet Sauvignon exhibiting profound site expression, varietal purity and textural depth.

WINEMAKING

A classic, Bordeaux-style blend culled from premier Napa Valley sites, Double Eagle Red is treated to site specific winemaking focused on expressing the rich, fruit-driven style of our valley floor vineyards. The grapes are picked in the early morning hours and transported immediately to the winery. In the cellar, the wine is vinified separately by lot, cool fermented in stainless steel tanks, and aged for 20 months in French oak barrels before being bottled unfiltered and unfined.

APPELLATION	Napa Valley
COMPOSITION	90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Petit Verdot
AGING	20 months 100% French Oak, 60% new
CASES	458
WINEMAKER	Philippe Melka