

# PINE RIDGE

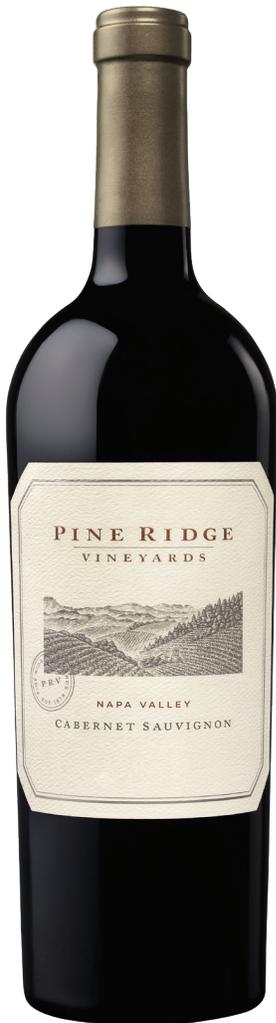
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## VINEYARDS

### 2016 NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

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SINCE OUR FOUNDING IN 1978, WE HAVE PROUDLY PRODUCED CABERNET SAUVIGNONS THAT SHOWCASE THE UNIQUE CHARACTER OF NAPA VALLEY'S PREMIER APPELLATIONS AND OUR ESTATE VINEYARDS WITHIN THEM. THIS CABERNET SAUVIGNON WAS CRAFTED TO EMBODY THE ULTIMATE ESSENCE OF NAPA VALLEY.



**VINEYARDS** The fruit for this vintage was chosen from our premier vineyard sites throughout the Napa Valley, mainly the Rutherford and Oakville appellations. The bright, ripe fruit and substantial mouthfeel that characterize this complex bottling are a direct result of the meticulous care and attention to detail paid by our vineyard workers to the vines.

**HARVEST AND WINEMAKING** The 2016 harvest marks the fifth great vintage in a row. Although it was another drought year and yields tended to be a bit lower, the quality was very high. The year started out hot, then became cold, then turned hot again, and October began one of the heaviest rain seasons this region has seen in many years. The grapes were hand harvested at night, carefully sorted in the vineyard, then brought to the cellar and destemmed. Following a cold soak, fermentation occurred at a high temperature to ensure maximum extraction was achieved. The wine was racked to 35 percent new American oak barrels, where it was aged for 18 months prior to bottling.

**TASTING NOTES** Fermentation and barrel aging in ideal conditions produced a deep ruby wine with inviting aromas of red and black ripe fruit, chocolate nib, vanilla, and cedar. The big, round entry expands to a mouth-filling plushness showing flavors of bright cherry and layers of texture. Tannins are seamless, well integrated, and more structured than drying. The natural sweetness of the fruit balances the bright acidity and follows through to the lingering blackberry and caramel-laced finish.

VARIETAL:	96% CABERNET SAUVIGNON, 2% PETIT VERDOT, 1% TANNAT, 0.5% MERLOT, 0.5% CABERNET FRANC
APPELLATION:	NAPA VALLEY
HARVEST DATES:	OCTOBER 1
AGING:	18 MONTHS IN 35% NEW AMERICAN OAK
AGING POTENTIAL:	5 TO 7 YEARS
ALCOHOL:	14.8%
RELEASE DATE:	FEBRUARY 2019
CASES PRODUCED:	19,150
SRP:	\$68