2014 Caravina Cabernet 100% estate grown, produced and bottled

Wine Specs

Vintage 2014 Varietal Cabernet Sauvignon Blend 89% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Petit Verdot Production 2.200 cases 750ml Appellation Napa Valley Harvest Date September - October 2015 2017-2031 Aging June 2016 Bottling Date Alcohol % 14.5% Barrels 100% French oak (40% new)





Wine Profile

TASTING NOTES

Beautiful layers of graphite, tea rose, sweet tobacco, and Mexican chocolate combine with a firm tannic grip to give this wine bright energy, verve and freshness. An elegant wine with intense minerality that speaks to Seavey's rugged hillside Cabernet vineyards.

RATINGS

Antonio Galloni, Vinous (Dec. 2016) - 93 points

"The 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Estate Caravina is going to need at least a few years to fully come together. Aromatically expressive and beautifully layered in the glass, the 2014 delivers superb quality and pedigree for the money. Smoke, cedar, tobacco, graphite, tar, licorice and dried herbs add the closing shades of nuance. Caravina remains one of the very best values in Napa Valley Cabernet."

VINEYARD NOTES

Seavey's 16th vintage of estate-produced Caravina Cabernet, the 2014, was made from grapes sourced from a unique tapestry of steep hillside blocks in the vineyard notable for their intense and youthful flavors. Following a winter with scant rain, a warm, dry spring gave way to ideal summer conditions and then a mild harvest period that allowed us to patiently pick each block at full ripeness.

PRODUCTION NOTES

Winemaking followed classic Bordeaux methods with whole-berry fermentation. In the cool of the early morning harvest, grapes were promptly de-stemmed and the uncrushed berries were gently transferred into fermentation tanks. In order to carefully manage the tannins and resulting wine texture, the grapes were neither crushed nor run through a pump. Following fermentation, the wine was aged in French oak barrels (40% new) for 19 months before bottling in June 2016.

PRODUCTION TEAM

Winemaker Jim Duane ~ Consulting Winemaker Philippe Melka