



2017 Napa Valley “Wishes” Red Wine

The 2017 August Briggs Napa Valley “Wishes” Red Wine is our tenth vintage of this extremely unique blend. Utilizing a “kitchen sink” approach we played with blending Zinfandel, Charbono, Syrah and a small amount Cabernet Sauvignon from a mix of vineyards. For us this is a wine made to honor California’s winegrowing heritage and the immigrants that first settled here who brought with them vine cuttings from their villages and planted what would later become known as “field blends”. These wines became favorites for their families and friends as they came to the US to fulfill their dreams...their Wishes!

The nose is full of dried blueberry, plum, smoke, spice, vanilla and a hint of ripe peach. The entry is bright and gives way to supple, round tannins. The body has medium weight that leads into a mouth-filling experience that calls for yet another glass. This wine is crafted to be enjoyed now or will gain additional complexity with another 4-6 years in bottle.

The grapes for this wine were picked between 25.5 and 26.5 brix with a total acid of 0.58 to 0.68g/100ml and a pH of 3.53 to 3.68. The fruit was then destemmed into small open-topped fermenters and punched down daily by hand. The wine was aged for 19 months in 20% new French oak barrels and 80% two and three year old American and French barrels. The wine was bottled without fining or filtration. **270 cases**
90 PTS Wine Enthusiast

Vintage 2017

Wine Type Red

Varietal 45% Zinfandel, 37% Charbono, 10% Syrah, 8% Cabernet Sauvignon,

Appellation Napa Valley

Alcohol 13.7%

Cases 270

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