

Round Pond Estate, owned and operated by the MacDonnell family, is a highly sought-after and respected ultra-premium Cabernet Sauvignon producer specializing in the creation of pure, expressive wines, artisan foods, and unforgettable experiences—all from the heart of Napa Valley.



ACCOLADES

2015 VINTAGE: 97 PTS SAN FRANCISCO INTL. WINE COMPETITION - DOUBLE GOLD & BEST CABERNET,
93 PTS VINOUS, 91 PTS WINE SPECTATOR, 90 PTS WINE ADVOCATE
2014 VINTAGE: 93 PTS VINOUS, 93 PTS WINE ENTHUSIAST & 91 PTS WINE SPECTATOR
2013 VINTAGE: 94 PTS VINOUS & 93+ PTS WINE ADVOCATE
2012 VINTAGE: 93 PTS VINOUS

WINEMAKING NOTES

The limited production Round Pond Reserve wines come from the most expressive blocks in our Rutherford estate vineyard and from the best lots in the winery – a true magnifying glass showcasing what the estate can produce. Complex and layered, the rich fruit profiles of these wines showcase the ultimate in finesse and balance.

TASTING NOTES

Sourced entirely from the gravely sections of our Rutherford estate vineyards, The 2015 Reserve showcases what stunning flavors can come from our Rutherford estate vineyards. The aromatics explode out of the glass with fresh, ripe boysenberry and warm wild blackberry balanced by mocha, cream, and hints of cedar. Deep, dark, juicy flavors of cassis and black cherries on entry are balanced by espresso, berry pie, and baking spice. The lavish finish unfolds with deep, round tannins, balanced by jubilant acidity with nuances of espresso and mocha.

VINTAGE & VITICULTURE

Bud break occurred two weeks earlier than normal in 2015. Cooler conditions during fruit set resulted in a lower yields than normal allowing us to achieve a good balance with no need to drop fruit to achieve ripening. Throughout the rest of the season, growing conditions were near perfect; the very small crop produced more concentrated flavors and achieved ripeness earlier than any previous vintage. Individual lots from specific estate vineyard blocks were fermented and aged separately to allow the broadest range of flavors. After meticulously tasting through each lot, only a few are chosen for the Reserve offering, with the final blend making up less than 1% from our 362 acre Rutherford vineyard.

WINEMAKER: Jaime 'JJ' Dowell & Thomas Rivers Brown VARIETALS: 96% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3% Petit Verdot, 1% Malbec AGING: 18 months in 95% new tight grain French oak RELEASE DATE: August 1st, 2018 SRP: \$110.00

2015 RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON