



Round Pond

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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

2016 VINTAGE: **95 PTS** VINOUS, **92 PTS** WINE ENTHUSIAST “CELLAR SELECTION”

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

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 showing 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 gravelly sections of our estate, the 2016 Reserve Cabernet showcases what stunning flavors can come from our Rutherford vineyards. The aromatics burst from the glass with tremendous black current and cassis notes, as well as highlights of licorice, forest floor and black tea. Creamy, rich, and generous, this wine shows essences of plum, clove and cigar box which marry well with hints of dried herbs, licorice and tarragon. The compelling finish unfolds with breadth and a lovely tension between the wine’s mouthwatering acidity and pleasing tannins.

VINTAGE & VITICULTURE

In 2016, bud break in the Napa Valley was early for white varietals and later for reds. A consistent supply of rain in the winter months with a slight increase around the start of March was a welcome reprieve from the drought experienced in Napa Valley over several previous years. The higher moisture content in the soil allowed the vines to grow steadily throughout the season, without the normal heat spikes in July and August. Because of this, the fruit was able to hang longer on the vine and ripen more uniformly, helping to concentrate flavors. The result is a vintage where Mother Nature collaborated with the vineyard, allowing us to make elegant wines with depth and complexity.

WINEMAKER: Thomas Rivers Brown & John Wilson

VARIETALS: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

AGING: 21 months in 80% new tight-grain French oak

RELEASE DATE: August 1st, 2019

SRP: \$110.00

2016 RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON