

# 2016 SORENSON'S RESERVE Cabernet Sauvignon



## VINEYARD SOURCE

#### Sorenson Estate Vineyard: Cabernet Sauvignon

First planted in 1872 by Swiss-Italian immigrants, Sorenson Vineyard has served as the beating heart of Burgess for more than 150 years. Climbing 800-1000 feet above sea level, this vineyard is carved into the western-facing slopes of Howell Mountain, overlooking the Napa Valley below. The landscape is dotted with large boulders on the "Konocti Series Volcanics" soil, a very densely compacted volcanic ash, as pines and redwoods surround the vineyard, becoming immersed in morning fog during the harvest months.

#### Haymaker Vineyard: Petit Verdot and Malbec

Acquired by Burgess Cellar in 1987, Haymaker Vineyard sits on the opposite side of Howell Mountain facing east, with a slope averaging 20%. Its soil composition mirrors the Sorenson, with bands of uplifted marine sediments.

## TASTING NOTES

Produced from the oldest vines in our Sorenson Vineyard, this Cabernet Sauvignon had a near-perfect growing season. Flavors of caramelized blackberry and dried black plums are complemented by earthy aromas of cedar, baking spices, and savory aromatics of rosemary, thyme, and a subtle dash of mint.

## TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Varietal Composition 92% Cabernet Sauvignon 6% Petit Verdot 2% Malbec

Alcohol 14.5% Aging Regimen Aged 30 months in 30% new French oak barrique, 70% neutral French oak barrique

*AVA* Napa Valley