

## 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon

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**Appellation:** Estate grown & bottled - Napa Valley  
Spring Mountain District

**Harvest:** September 29<sup>th</sup> through October 27<sup>th</sup>

**Elevage:** 20 Months in French oak, 60% new

**Bottled:** September 2018

**Release:** April 2020

### Tasting Notes

The 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon shows classic Spring Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon characteristics. On the nose this youthful Cabernet shows cedar, cassis, and bay leaf all interwoven with violets and white peppercorn. At this early stage of the wine's life the palate presents notes of blackberry bramble, black plum, and cocoa finely integrated with a layer of bright red fruits, hints of thyme and a long lingering sage leaf finish. A strong but supple backbone of fine tannins and oak balance the fruit and provide a hint of the long term ageing possibilities. Like most Spring Mountain Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignons this wine is ready to drink now but with proper cellaring this wine will reward those with patience for another 15+ years.

### 2016 Vintage

The 2016 vintage at Spring Mountain Vineyard is one of the best of the decade. Ideal conditions during flowering led to a balanced, healthy crop. The growing season progressed almost perfectly with mild summer days that built towards a warmer ideal ripening period in September and October. 2016 allowed for a carefully planned pick date that was not forced by any severe weather incidents or conditions. The resulting wines highlight the balance between nuance, power, and depth that can occur in great vintages. The 2016 wines have an exceptional purity of fruit with elegance, finesse and complexity.

### About Spring Mountain Vineyard

Over fifty years, Spring Mountain Vineyard has gained a reputation for the classic Bordeaux varieties, grown organically in 19th century vineyards high above the Napa Valley. The unmatched beauty and diversity of the estate vineyard reveal authentic terroir in wines of structure, grace and longevity. Only estate grown and bottled wines are produced from 225 acres planted to vine.

