

2015 TAPLIN

ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

This wine come from land held by our family for over 155 years. Harvested from a vineyard that sits on an ancient Riverbed.

COMPOSITION 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

HARVEST September 1-September 14

AGING 24 months in 100% new French oak barrels

RELEASE DATE April 2019

ALCOHOL 15.5 %

WINEMAKER Julien Fayard

VINTAGE NOTES: 2015 had highs and lows that make it an intriguing vintage. Winter started warm, but the year turned cold during the peak of the bloom in May. Late-summer heat marked 2015 as a richer, rounder vintage for our estate. Vineyard sun shades protected clusters from the searing rays and allowed us to retain freshness. By harvest, although the overall yields were lower, the Riverbed Vineyard it gave us clusters of grapes with intense fruit.

WINEMAKERS' NOTES: Impenetrably dark ruby in the glass, the 2015 shows black fruit aromas and sleek sweetness on the nose. The palate is a textured brocade of dense black raspberry, boysenberry and Bing cherry notes, folded in with unsweetened cocoa, vanilla, and a tiny touch of mint on the lengthy finish. A classic Napa Valley Cabernet with suede-like structure that will continue to evolve in the cellar, should you choose to wait.