

## 2017 CFM Cabernet Franc - Merlot Napa Valley

Appellation: Napa Valley (100%)

Composition: 50% Cabernet Franc from St. Helena, 50% Merlot from Oak Knoll

Winemaking: The fruit was punched-cap fermented and then barrel aged in French oak for over 38 months prior to blending and bottling.

Tasting notes: Sage, clove and rhubarb up front with a bit of cedar cigar box notes. On the palate the clove mingles with a rich mix of pomegranate and red currant fruit and a hint of mint making this a spicy wine with a Right Bank Bordeaux complexity. Full bodied, bright and balanced with a long finish.

Special Note: I have been making these grapes on their own since the 80's, Merlots since 1980 and Cabernet Francs from 1985. This is only the fifth wine made in this style in my 42 years of winemaking. Production limited to 100 cases.

Alc.: 14.9% pH: 3.44 TA: 0.67 RS: 0.08

