

ALPHA OMEGA

Cabernet Sauvignon
Beckstoffer Dr. Crane Vineyard
St. Helena
Napa Valley
2018

WINEMAKER NOTES

2018 was a dream growing season and harvest for Napa Valley. An abundance of rain in February was followed by continuous days of sunshine and mild temperatures that made for uniform vines and even cluster growth. With no major heat spikes to contend with, there was no need to rush through harvest. Cooler temperatures allowed us to pick when we wanted, without stress and under optimal conditions. The gift from Mother Nature translated to wines that not only have great concentration but also an amazing freshness.

ABOUT THE VINEYARDS

Napa pioneer Dr. George Belden Crane originally planted Dr. Crane Vineyard in 1858. The vineyard was acquired by Andy Beckstoffer in 1997 and replanted in 1998. The vineyard's location on the west side of St. Helena, tucked in a small, residential neighborhood and bordered by an old riverbed and rock quarry, gives the vineyard its gravelly loam soils. Because of the depth of the rocky riverbed, the wine possesses an amazing velvety texture.



Melons, Mirabelle plums, bay leaves, licorice, hint of iodine, Everest salts, cedar, green peppercorns, cotton, hemp rope,

bee wax, freshly cut sugar canes, black tea leaves

ON THE PALATE

Sweet, juicy entrance, cumin powder, Herbes de Provence, tapenade, brandy infused plum, strawberry jam, grapefruit

pith, fresh watermelon

BLEND

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

FERMENTATION

85% barrel fermented, 15% stainless steel tank fermented

AGING

22 months in French oak, 80% new, 20% I-year-old barrels



ABOUT ALPHA OMEGA

Established in 2006, Alpha Omega's mission is to create artisanal wines drawing on Old World vineyard handcrafted practices and emphasis on unique terroir driven characteristics that reveal a sense of place combined with New World technology and science. The family-owned, boutique winery in the heart of Napa Valley on the Rutherford Bench is honored that its estate is considered one of the top wineries in the region.