

Ceritas

2020 CABERNET SAUVIGNON RELEASE

Dear Friends:

We end our release schedule each year with our Peter Martin Ray Cabernet Sauvignon. The 2017 vintage was our sixth year working with this noble site and we are so thrilled to continue deepening our relationship to the site and how best to show its noble terroir.

This site is impressive. The vineyard sits at 1800 feet above the valley floor, straddling a north-south ridge, just one ridge south of the fabled Ridge Winery Monte Bello Vineyard. Head trained and farmed by the same two people for the past 20 years gives us the consistency and depth of knowledge to just allow this place to speak for itself. This is a wine of history, pedigree and a wine that you will want to pull out of your cellar in 20+ years to enjoy with your children and good friends.

We harvested perfectly mature grapes on September 25th. The grapes were destemmed and put to tank allowing fermentation to proceed at its own natural pace. In total, fermentation lasted 40 days, the longest fermentation from this site to date, producing a wine of great depth, concentration, mystery and perfume. Aged for 30 months in Bordeaux barrels (70% of which were new) with minimal sulfur just before bottling. Unfined, unfiltered. This wine is a classic and an absolute for your cellar.

We hope you enjoy this wine for many years to come. Thank you for your continued support. Be well.

John and Phoebe

2017 PETER MARTIN RAY CABERNET SAUVIGNON / SANTA CRUZ MOUNTAINS

Dark and purple. Complex bouquet of blackberry, tobacco and minerals, with a depth that just keeps giving. The palate is complex and is exquisite in balance, laden with intense black fruit laced with orange zest, the citrus element counterbalancing the tannic grip and structure. A complete wine that exceeds the best vintages from this site. Charming and delicious.