



Jeff Runquist Wines

2017 "R" CABERNET SAUVIGNON, *3 Way Vineyard,* *Paso Robles*



Steve Carter and I met thirty years ago, Steve continued to explore and refine viticultural practices in Paso Robles where he has established himself as one of the most respected growers in the appellation. When I learned that he had purchased a vineyard site just to the West of the town of Paso Robles at 1,600 feet in elevation and had plans to plant Cabernet Sauvignon, I was anxious to 'test drive' the grapes.

The vineyard Steve planted is now in its fifth year of production, and it is a show stopper in manicured rows perfectly oriented to the sun given the vineyards topography.

The 2017 Three Way Cabernet Sauvignon has a deep dark ruby color with youthful purple hues. The aroma of this wine features dark cherry and cassis fruit layered over a base of olives, herbs, tobacco leaf, and mint. A year and a half in barrel has provided the wine's bouquet with a smoky, deeply roasted oak character. Savory concentrated blueberry, blackberry, cedar and herb flavors are presented on a foundation of mature tannins that adds a richness without any chewy aggressive astringency. The smooth finish lingers well with notes of juniper, cedar, and oak.

100% Cabernet Sauvignon
14.9% Alc. 0.71 g/100ml TA 3.45 pH
25% American Oak 65% French Oak
10% Neutral Oak
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