



An Elegant and Rich Estate Bottled Classic 2016 Matchbook Cabernet Sauvignon

THE WINE

The 2016 Matchbook Estate Bottled Cabernet Sauvignon is crafted entirely from grape to bottle on our Matchbook Wine Company estate. Aromas of tobacco, dark fruit, clove, violet and mocha emerge from this deep-ruby colored wine. Rich, juicy, mouth-filling flavors of black cherry, blueberries and cassis are followed by a lovely, lingering finish with firm and chocolatey tannins. Pair with a sizzling New York strip steak, meat lover's pizza or roast beef.

THE STORY

East of Napa, Left of Center: The Giguiere family embodies Dunnigan Hills winemaking. In 1981 they pioneered grape-growing in this region when they planted their very first vineyard. By 1993 they'd succeeded in making the Dunnigan Hills a nationally recognized American appellation. The Matchbook flame is an homage to the Giguiere brothers' youthful fascination with fire. Today Matchbook Wine Company produces over 15 wines showcasing the varietals that perform best in our warm, dry climate.

THE CELLAR

The grapes were gently crushed and fermented in small temperature-controlled stainless steel tanks. We used a combination of specially selected yeast to enhance color and flavor extraction without harsh tannins. We pumped the tanks over twice a day until nearly dry, then pressed and aged the wine in a combination of French, Hungarian and American oak barrels for 14 months. The best barrel lots were chosen for this complex blend of 75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 19% Petit Verdot, 5% Malbec and 1% Tannat to create a boldly flavored Dunnigan Hills Cabernet Sauvignon.

