

Lail Vineyards



J. DANIEL CUVÉE CABERNET SAUVIGNON VINTAGE 2017, NAPA VALLEY

ACCOLADES

“THE 2017 CABERNET SAUVIGNON J. DANIEL CUVÉE IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPRESSIVE WINES OF THE YEAR.

The 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon J. Daniel Cuvée really shows the radiance and richness of the year in its inky, super-concentrated feel. Super-ripe blackberry jam, chocolate, sweet spice, lavender and espresso all flesh out. Ample and full-throttle to the core, the 2017 offers tremendous immediacy and tons of pure pleasure.”

—Antonio Galloni, *Vinous Media*

“The 2017 J. Daniel Cuvée Cabernet Sauvignon is made of 100% Cabernet Sauvignon from Calistoga, Oakville and Stags Leap. It was aged 20 months in 75% new French oak. Mole Hill fruit was declassified this vintage because of smoke taint. Very deep purple-black in color, it starts out slightly muted and broody, with coaxing revealing notions of baked black currants, blackberry compote and plums preserves followed by notions of tar, chargrill, sautéed herbs and pencil lead plus a hint of Marmite toast. Full-bodied, the palate has nice ripe, fine-grained tannins and a refreshing backbone cutting through the savory flavors, finishing long and just a little firm.”

—Lisa Perrotti-Brown, MW,
Robert Parker Wine Advocate

WINEMAKER NOTES

“J. Daniel Cuvée 2017 has wonderful aromas of briary fruits such as black raspberry and boysenberry, together with black cherry and ripe red plums. The flavors add nuances of fine tobacco and forest floor notes, along with blueberry and strawberry preserve. Full-bodied, rich, powerful, and long, with fine-grained tannins, this is another great vintage for J. Daniel Cuvée.”

—Philippe Melka, *Winemaker*

PARTNERS | Robin Daniel Lail, Erin Lail, Shannon Lail

VARIETAL | 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

VINEYARDS | Calistoga

Oakville

Stags Leap District

BARREL REGIMEN | 20 months in French oak barrels; 75% new

WINEMAKER | Philippe Melka

PRODUCTION | 930 cases

J. DANIEL CUVÉE STORY

“I was raised by my dad, John Daniel, Jr., in the grand family tradition of Inglenook. He was, like Gustave Niebaum before him, a leader, an innovator, and the producer of legendary wines. Our flagship wine at Lail Vineyards, the J. Daniel Cuvée Cabernet Sauvignon, is named in his honor. My greatest challenge at Lail Vineyards is to create wines that meet and exceed the level of excellence set by my family in earlier generations.”

—Robin Daniel Lail