



PARALLEL NAPA VALLEY

2016 BLACK DIAMOND RESERVE NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON "LIMELIGHT"

On the ski slopes, Black Diamond runs let you know that you are about to experience the most exhilarating runs the mountain has to offer. Our Black Diamond Reserve is used to mark the best barrels we produce annually. The 2009 release of Black Diamond Reserve Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon was the beginning of an ongoing program that now culminates each year during Harvest Season with a "Name the Vintage" contest. Parallel Wines' fans submit a Black Diamond or Double Black Diamond ski run at a favorite resort, and the winner is rewarded with an etched 3L bottle of their named vintage upon its release.

PHILIPPE MELKA WINEMAKER TASTING NOTES

"THE 2016 BLACK DIAMOND RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON HAS AROMAS OF CREME DE CASSIS, LICORICE AND MOCHA. ON THE PALATE, THIS WINE HAS EXCELLENT ACIDITY WITH BRIGHT CHERRY, RED CASSIS AND CHOCOLATE COMPLEMENTED BY A VELVETY TEXTURE AND LENGTHY TANNINS. WELL-INTEGRATED FRENCH OAK LENDS SUBTLE VANILLA AND TOASTY NOTES. VERY VIBRANT AND LAYERED."

94+ POINTS - JEB DUNNUCK

"LOTS OF TOBACCO LEAF, DAMP EARTH, CHOCOLATE, AND COFFEE NOTES AS WELL AS A RICH CORE OF BLACK AND BLUE FRUITS EMERGE FROM THE 2016 CABERNET SAUVIGNON LIMELIGHT, WHICH IS FULL-BODIED, CONCENTRATED, AND STRUCTURED ON THE PALATE. IT HAS A TOUCH MORE TANNINS THAN THE ECLIPSE CUVÉE AND IS GOING TO BENEFIT FROM 4-5 YEARS OF BOTTLE AGE. IT'S ANOTHER TERRIFIC WINE FROM THIS ESTATE."

94 POINTS - WINEADVOCATE



Vintage: 2016

Ski Resort: Sun Valley Resort, Sun Valley, Idaho

Varietal: 100% Cabernet

Sauvignon AVA: Napa Valley

Harvest Date: September 27 & October 5, 2016

Alcohol: 15.3%

pH: 3.76

Brix: 25.0

Fermentation: 25 days in stainless steel

Aging: 100% French Oak; 40% New French Oak

Bottling Date: June 4, 2018

Production: 283 cases