



2015 Barrouge

Napa Valley

The 2015 Barrouge has a ruby garnet color with aromas highlighted by hints of French vanilla that are followed by engaging blue berry and black currant notes. The palate is soft and concentrated, filled with luscious cherry and blackberry jam. While the tannins are moderate, the supple texture of the Merlot highlights the fruit of the Cabernet Sauvignon, thus providing a lengthy finish. This wine truly captures the essence of Barlow Vineyards.

2015 Harvest Report Napa Valley:

Drought conditions and higher than average temperatures during the 2014/2015 winter caused the soils to warm up early, causing an early bud break. Combining early bud break with above average summer temperatures (more than 20 days over 100 degrees) led to an early harvest. However, this did not lead to winemaking drawbacks, the 2015 wines are stunningly built on opulence, texture and voluptuousness, and they express an amazing freshness. Allow these wines to settle down after shipping, then begin to enjoy the bounty of the great 2015 harvest.

AWARDS AND RATINGS

93~Antonio Galloni, The 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon Barrouge is deep, flavorful and super-expressive, yet also very much medium-bodied in style. Dark cherry, plum, woodsmoke and cedar give the wine its distinctive flavor profile. There is plenty of depth in the glass, but the Barrouge avoids the excesses of the vintage well. Dollops of Merlot and Petit Verdot round out the blend.

VINTAGE STATISTICS

BLEND	81% Cabernet Sauvignon, 13% Merlot 6% Petite Verdot
HARVEST DATE	September, 2015
BOTTLING	June, 2017
AGING	21 months in French Oak
ALCOHOL	14.2%
PRODUCTION	570 cases
RELEASE DATE	March, 2018