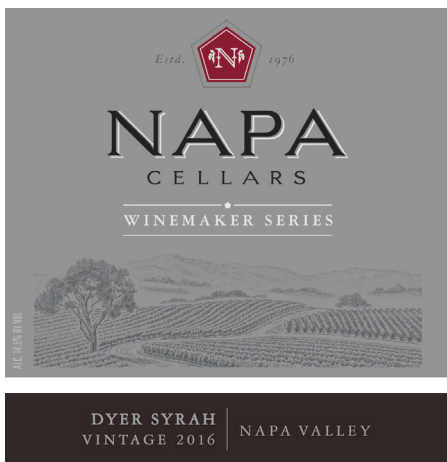


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NAPA CELLARS

WINEMAKER SERIES

DYER SYRAH | NAPA VALLEY
VINTAGE 2016



With more than 40 years of winemaking heritage in California's most fabled wine region, Napa Cellars embodies the classic, unmistakable style of Napa Valley. Veteran winemaker Joe Shirley crafts our wines from estate vineyards and coveted partner sites throughout Napa's most revered sub-appellations. Meticulous care in the vineyard, coupled with gentle winemaking techniques, ensures our wines reflect the quality and richness of Napa Valley's terroir.

VINEYARD

Dyer Vineyard is situated on a sunny, northwest hillside of Carneros in the southern part of Napa Valley, where the climate is relatively cool and the fruit ripens slowly and evenly. The soil is composed of clay loam, the slopes provide great drainage, and the vines receive minimal irrigation—ideal conditions for the Napa Cellars 2016 Dyer Syrah.

WINEMAKING

The grapes for the 2016 Dyer Syrah were handpicked and crushed immediately. The must was cold soaked for 24 hours prior to fermentation on the skins. Once pressed, a 10 day maceration period helped to eliminate excessive tannin extraction from the seeds. The saignée method of bleeding off some of the pressed juice imparts vivid intensity in the remaining wine. This Syrah was aged exclusively in French oak—55% of which was new—for 22 months.

WINEMAKER NOTES

The Napa Cellars 2016 Dyer Syrah showcases a deep purple hue in the glass. Vivacious aromas of black cherry, blackberry, blueberry jam, fig, graphite on the nose are followed by subtle hints of rose petal, dark toast and molasses. Flavors of rich blueberry notes, dominated by toasty oak and hints of candied blackberry, spiced oak, vanilla and allspice on the finish. This ripe, concentrated, full bodied wine holds a great presence with chewy tannins and excellent length.

APPELLATION: Napa Valley

COMPOSITION: 100% Syrah

AGING: 100% French oak, 55% new for 22 months

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

T.A.: 0.58 g / 100ml

PH: 3.85

HARVEST DATE: October 1, 2016

RELEASE DATE: May 2019

CASES: 300 (12-pack cases)

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