



PLUMPJACK
WINERY

1997
PlumpJack
Estate Cabernet Sauvignon

VINEYARD...

our 100% estate Cabernet Sauvignon is made entirely from the grapes grown in the vineyards adjacent to PlumpJack Winery located on Oakville Cross Road, Oakville AVA, Napa Valley

HARVEST and HEALTH...

this Cabernet was hand-harvested commencing on August 29th, 1997
and concluded September 9th, 1997 at an average of
24.2 degrees Brix, measurable acidity of .58 and pH of 3.52
for a total of 54 tons

FERMENTATION...

after a 12 hour cold soak, the fermentation was temperature-controlled using
a moderate yeast and continued to dryness for a period of 7 days

AGING...

took place at PlumpJack Winery in a specially selected combination of 100% new
French oak cooperage, where it remained for 22 months

BOTTLING...

produced 3,400 cases and took place on August 25, 1999

OUR THOUGHTS...

This is our third vintage of Cabernet Sauvignon made from the estate grapes grown adjacent to the PlumpJack Winery facility in Oakville, California. Enjoying the aromas of this wine we find warm, sweet spice, vanilla extract, mint, bittersweet chocolate, dried black bing cherries and a hint of sweet smoke. Anything but shy when tasted, it's firm, pleasant acidity and moderate tannins are followed by light clove, nutmeg, ripe bing cherries, boysenberry jam, mint, vanilla extract, bittersweet chocolate and coffee which transitioning to sweet, light toasted oak.

Our 1997 Cabernet's lingering, complex finish gives us clear assurance that its anticipated life span of 10 to 15 years is well warranted.

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1997 PlumpJack Estate Cabernet Sauvignon Reviews

Robert Parker, The Wine Advocate, Closing Date 12/19/97 Issue 114 (91-93)

“exhibits a saturated, dense ruby/purple color, and impressive aromatics consisting of crème de cassis, pain grille, and soil scents. The wine is full bodied, with outstanding fruit richness, fine purity, and a long, spicy, well balanced finish, The 1997 should age nicely for 15+ years.”

Wine Spectator June 15, 2000 89

“Stylish, with appealing ripe plum, cherry, cedar, anise, tobacco and sage notes. Holding its focus, with a long, intricate aftertaste. Best from 2001 through 2009. 3,400 cases made.” *(JL)*