

THE 2015 CABERNET

WINEGROWING INFORMATION

The 2015 growing season was a wild one! The third year of the drought brought an early bud break and then a hail storm that stripped leaves and shoots during Easter week. Depending on the slope of the blocks some rows were denuded and others escaped. The vineyard floor was a carpet of green after the storm passed.

That was just the beginning of a hot, intense year where yields were reduced by over 50%. Despite the roller-coaster of a vintage, the fruit developed a remarkably elegant and powerful flavor profile. An incredible year for quality! The hallmark aromas and flavors our volcanic soils bring really shined in the 2015 Cabernet.

TASTING NOTES

In 2015 we saw the smallest yields on record for Kamen Estate. The result—an inky, saturated purple-black Cabernet Sauvignon with absolutely massive and concentrated aromatics. Ripe boysenberry, blackberry liqueur, fresh wildflowers and tobacco. The layers of aromatics continue with black cardamom, new suede, sun-baked river rocks and cola.

The palate is precise, structured and luscious. Ripe black and purple fruit flavors glide across the tongue, the tannins are candied and sultry and the acid in perfect harmony with this full-bodied powerhouse. With a finish that just won't quit this wine is approachable now with the ability to cellar over the next three decades.

ACCOLADES

“The 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon is a powerful, authoritative wine. The black cherry, savory herb, cedar, smoke, tobacco and incense notes are all given super flavor and textural intensity. Plush and explosive in the glass, the 2015 is going to need at least a few years to come into its own, but it is gorgeous, even at this early stage.” —Antonio Galloni, *Vinous*

Vineyard Information

100% Estate Grown Cabernet Sauvignon at elevations of 1100–1450 ft.
Moon Mountain District AVA, Certified Organic

Production and Technical Data

Alcohol: 15.5% | Production: 1100 cases | Release Date: September 2018

