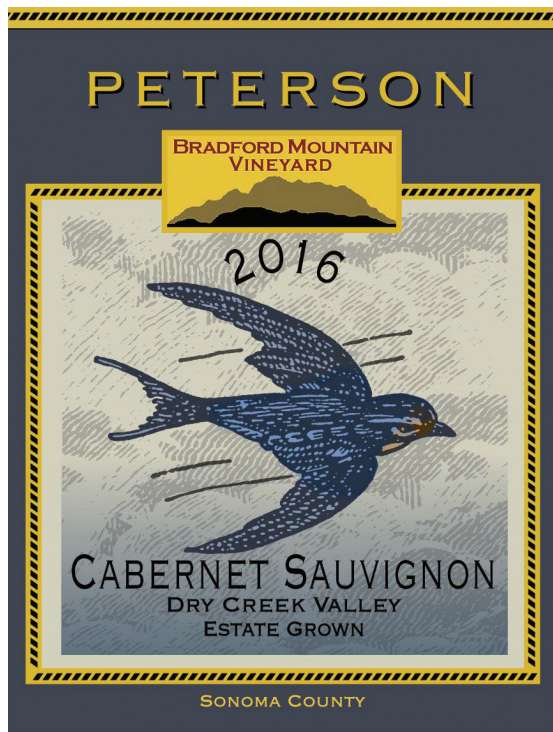


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## 2016 CABERNET SAUVIGNON Bradford Mountain Estate Vineyard Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County



### Technical Data

**Composition:** 100% Bradford Mountain Estate Vineyard

<u>Varietal Breakdown</u>	<u>Harvest Dates</u>
83% Cabernet Sauvignon	Sept. 22
8% Merlot	Sept. 8
5% Petit Verdot	Sept. 27
4% Cabernet Franc	Sept. 22

<b>Appellation:</b>	Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County
<b>Alcohol:</b>	15.3%
<b>pH:</b>	3.42
<b>TA:</b>	0.63g/100ml
<b>Barrel Aging:</b>	27 months
<b>Cooperage:</b>	15% new French oak barrels 35% 2-year-old French oak barrels 20% 2-year-old Hungarian & American oak 30% 5-8 year old, neutral oak barrels
<b>Bottling Date:</b>	December 5, 2018 (unfined & unfiltered)
<b>Closure Type:</b>	Natural cork - Amorim NDTech - individually scanned and TCA free
<b>Production:</b>	250 cases   750ml bottles; 16 cases   1.5L magnums; 6 bottles   3L double magnums
<b>Release Date:</b>	May 2020

### Jamie Peterson's Vintaged Views

This is our most terroir-driven wine: a Peterson wine that shouts out its origin with every sip. Our Bradford Mountain vineyards produce wine grapes with a unique and very recognizable minerality. That expression or sense of place reaches its apex in the Bradford Mountain Estate Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon.

The cuttings for this vineyard were brought when we moved from Mount Eden in the Santa Cruz Mountains in the 1980's. This selection, taken by Dr. Rixford in the 1880's from Chateau Margaux, was planted at his La Questa Vineyard near Woodside in the Santa Cruz Mountains, from where it was propagated in new plantings elsewhere. It's history and pedigree have shown to be second to none.

The intensity of the Cabernet Sauvignon is complemented with exotic spice from Cabernet Franc, wonderful aromatics from Petit Verdot, and plush fruit qualities from Merlot to create a wine that offers layer upon layer of flavors and aromas. Though big and bold, this is still a wine with balance and finesse. It is not one of those over-oaked and over-extracted creations that are currently the rage with some wine critics yet have no place on the table, nor the potential for successful bottle aging. This is a wine that will definitely benefit from both bottle age and/or decanting to allow the wine to open and reveal all of its depth and complexity.

### Tasting Notes

Intriguing dark-toned aromas hint at the wine's intensity, with threads of minerality and vanillin oak woven into ripe blackberry, currant and cigar box. The velvety entry showcases concentrated blackberry and dark cherry laced with creamy coffee and spicy cedar. As the flavors expand and linger, a rich mineral essence layered with traces of fine-grained oak and softening tannins appears.

The perfect wine to pair with a medium rare grilled rib eye with a side of sautéed mushrooms and onions, or Persian-spiced lamb shanks over a bed of brown Basmati rice.