



CORNERSTONE

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2015 Cabernet Franc Oakville Station Spotlight Series

2015 Vintage

The 2015 growing season began with record setting rains in December, followed by the dried January on record. There were no hard freezes during the winter, which contributed to a very early budbreak (late February in some spots). Rain in April shattered the flowers which caused a reduction in crop size, but that's just Mother Nature's way of thinning the crop. With a lighter crop the grapes ripened quickly and evenly, then viola, an early harvest!

The Vineyard

Our small block of Cabernet Franc was planted in 1990 in the highly acclaimed UC Davis Oakville Station, in the center of "Cabernet Country". Located on the west side of the valley at the base of the Mayacamas Mountains, this vineyard takes its cue from its illustrious neighbors.

2015 Tasting Notes

Effusive aromas of baking spices and ripe blackberries with a hint of subtle floral nuances that Cabernet franc is known for. Lush and ripe on entry, the fruit-focused core evolves into a symphony of red summer berries and freshly baked blueberry pie, with just a touch of sweet vanilla. Seductive, yet balanced, the high-toned fruit flavors linger on the silky finish.

2015 Winemaking Notes

Vintage:	2015
Appellation:	100% Oakville
Vineyard:	100% UC Davis Oakville Station
Varietals:	75% Cabernet Franc 15% Merlot 10% Cabernet Sauvignon
Alcohol:	14.6%
Cooperage:	50% New French oak, 50% 2-year French oak
Production:	125 Cases
Retail:	\$85

Ratings & Reviews

91 Points International Wine Report