



NIEBAUM ESTATE

2015 CABERNET SAUVIGNON 1882

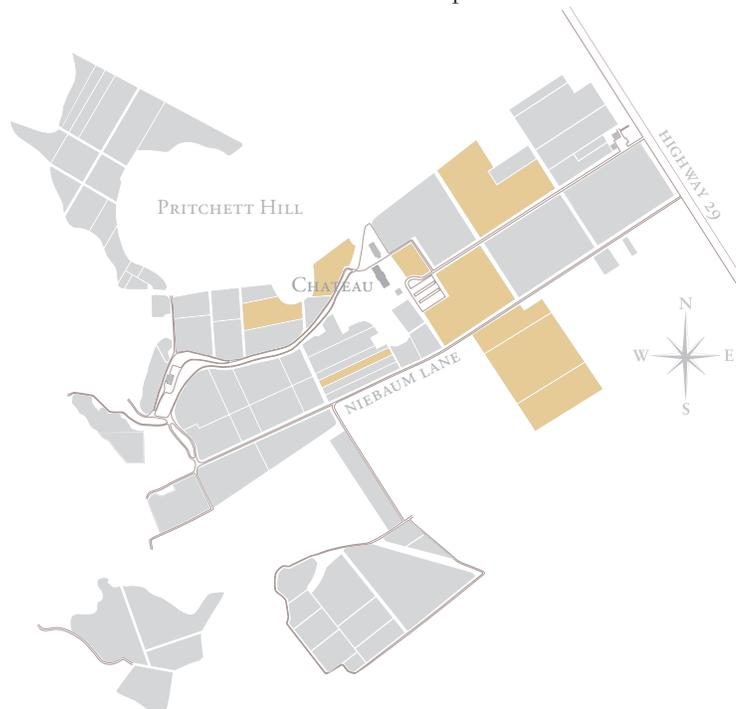
1882 was the first vintage produced by Inglenook founder Gustave Niebaum. That same year, Niebaum dug a small cave into the Mayacamas foothills on the back property of the estate in his quest for optimal barrel aging conditions. This wine pays tribute to Captain Niebaum, whose spirit of innovation and exploration continues to live on at Inglenook.

VINTAGE NOTES

Following a relatively warm winter, the 2015 growing season at Inglenook began early, staying 14 to 21 days ahead of average from budbreak through harvest. Variable weather during flowering in May, and limited precipitation for the third consecutive year, led to relatively low yields. The dry, warm weather during the second week of September ensured optimal ripening of fruit designated for the 1882 blend. Cabernet Sauvignon from Chateau Block S1 was the first lot to reach maturity on September 3rd. The final block was harvested on September 22nd from the Cohn Vineyard, Red Barn block.

WINEMAKER'S TASTING NOTES

Having reduced yields in 2015 resulted in highly focused wines and made 1882 Cabernet Sauvignon an exemplary reflection of the vintage. Sweet, savory scents of cassis, forest floor, wild blackberry, cedar, and vanilla flow seamlessly into a consistent flavor impression on the palate. This wine evokes a true sensation of balance between freshness, oak integration, fruit concentration and modest alcohol. The luxurious mouthfeel and tannin structure offer the added assurance of extended cellar potential.



APPELLATION:
RUTHERFORD, NAPA VALLEY

BLEND:
89% CABERNET SAUVIGNON
11% CABERNET FRANC

VINEYARDS:
CHATEAU, RED BARN,
FOUNTAIN, BRIDGE, GATE

ALCOHOL:
14.5%

BARREL REGIME:
18 MONTHS
100% FRENCH OAK
10% NEW OAK

BOTTLED:
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