

Founded in 1879 by Gustave Niebaum, INGLENOOK remains the crown jewel of the Napa Valley under the stewardship of the Coppola family.

## 2016 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

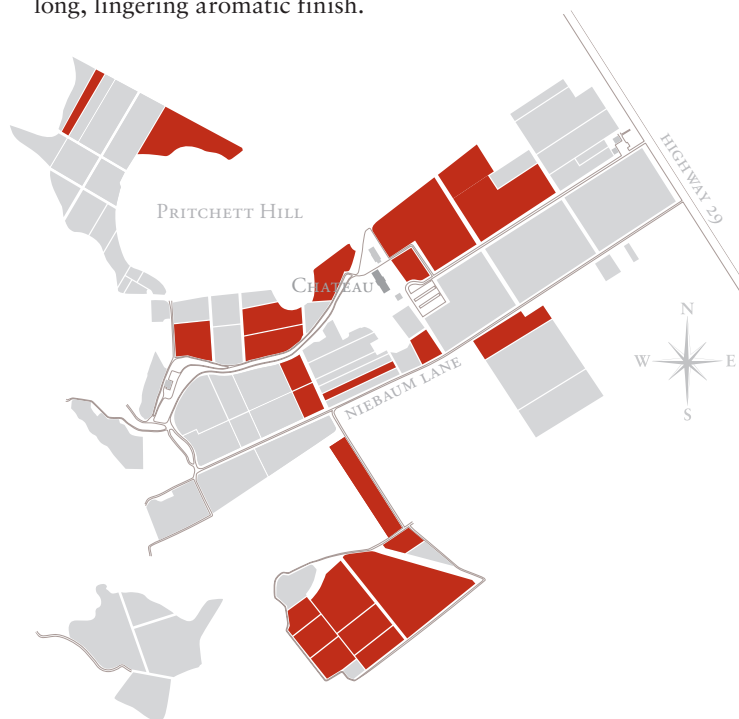
*Inglenook Cabernet Sauvignon is a tribute to John Daniel Jr., who produced the much-heralded Inglenook 1941 Cabernet Sauvignon from vine cuttings brought to the Inglenook Estate from Bordeaux by founder Gustave Niebaum. Today, this estate-grown wine is blended with the finest lots of Cabernet Sauvignon and other Bordeaux varieties that remain after the highly selective blending of Rubicon.*

### VINTAGE NOTES

After four years of drought, a winter with average rainfall was welcome, as it provided ample soil moisture for a strong start to the 2016 growing season. Average late-spring temperatures and limited precipitation minimized the risk of frost during mid-May bloom, ensuring average yields. June closed with a heat spell, slowing vine canopy growth at the ideal time. All fruit for the 2016 Inglenook Cabernet Sauvignon blend was harvested under ideal conditions from September 6th through October 10th.

### WINEMAKER'S TASTING NOTES

On the nose, the 2016 Inglenook Cabernet Sauvignon opens with very focused fresh, ripe black cherry and blackberry aromas. In the background, scents of garrigue – lavender, thyme, and bay – emerge and build complexity. On the palate, the wine is superbly balanced to the point that it is difficult to identify individual flavor components, although cassis bud and blackberry do reveal themselves. The fine-grained, polished tannins are very much in harmony with the oak and exhibit an underlying firmness that continues throughout the long, lingering aromatic finish.



**APPELLATION:**  
RUTHERFORD, NAPA VALLEY

**BLEND:**  
82% CABERNET SAUVIGNON  
7% CABERNET FRANC  
6% MERLOT  
4% PETIT VERDOT  
1% MALBEC

**VINEYARDS:**  
CHATEAU, COHN, RED BARN, CREEK, WALNUT, SMALL BLOCK

**ALCOHOL:**  
14.2%

**BARREL REGIMEN:**  
18 MONTHS  
100% FRENCH OAK  
50% NEW OAK

**BOTTLED:**  
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