

TRIONE *Vineyards & Winery*



Winemaker's Tasting Notes

Scot Covington - Winemaker

Trione 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon

2017 will be remembered as the year of the fires in Sonoma County, it will also be remembered as a near perfect vintage for most winegrowers. Spring rains meant that the vines had plenty of reserves to work with during bud break and the flowering seasons. The summer months were warm and mild, near perfect growing conditions. Things warmed up in September that hastened the harvest. All in all, yields were average to slightly below average with quality across all varieties at near perfection. At Trione we were done harvesting by October 6, slightly earlier than normal.

Cases produced: 1,178 six-packs

Winemaking: This wine is a classic Bordeaux-style blend of 78% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Malbec, 8% Merlot, and 2% each of Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. We hand-harvested and fermented each variety separately, then moved the wines to barrels where they aged for 12 months. Once we determined our blend, we returned the wine to barrel for an additional 12 months to 'marry' the varietals. We used tight grained French oak barrels exclusively for this wine.

Alcohol: 14.0 percent by volume

TA: 7.80 g/l

pH: 3.56

Tasting Notes: The Trione 2017 Block 21 Cabernet Sauvignon is more Left Bank in style; reminiscent of the Medoc. This wine is vibrant with hints of black currant, raspberry, and blackberry on the nose. A rich Cabernet Sauvignon, with a silky-fine tannin structure and mid-palate with a long lingering finish that foretells a long cellar life. Enjoy now and for the next 8-12 years.

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Our family is deeply rooted in Sonoma County."*

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