

CLUB CRUSH CABERNET *August Shipment (#4 - 2019)*

APERTURE CELLARS 2016 RED BLEND ALEXANDER VALLEY, SONOMA

Never mind the six million album covers around the world that feature Andy Katz's photographs. It was all an excuse. An excuse to drink world class wine. To learn what it takes to make world class wine. And to spend time with his young son Jesse. Barely a decade later, Jesse is now one of the most accomplished winemakers in the world, recently gracing the cover of Wine Enthusiast as a rising young star. It's a perfect combination. Jesse supplies the grapes, Andy supplies the images. And together they make wines worthy of their travels.



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Creating the Aperture Red Blend is one of winemaker Jesse Katz's favorite times to engage his creativity and allow the different vineyard lots to guide him. The 2016 blend beautifully demonstrates what we are always looking to achieve, a focused tension between the fruit's expansive power and nuanced elegance.

TASTING NOTES: The 2016 Red Blend is intensely scented of crème de cassis and baked blueberries with subtle hints of mocha, licorice, baking spices and fertile loam plus a waft of cedar chest. Full-bodied and laden with densely packed black fruits, it has a firm backbone of grainy tannins and lively line to support, finishing long and spicy.

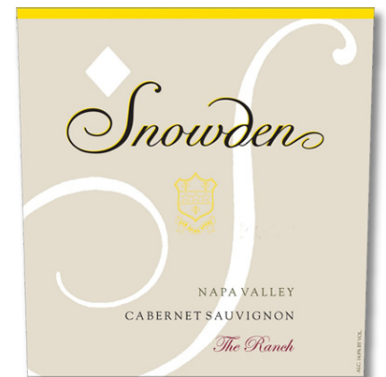
Composition: 52% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot, 11% Malbec and 7% Cabernet Franc

Production: 1,600 cases

Regular Price: \$54.99 CLUB CRUSH PRICE: \$49.49

SNOWDEN VINEYARDS 2015 'THE RANCH' CABERNET SAUVIGNON NAPA VALLEY

Situated on the eastern slopes of the Napa Valley, the Snowden Ranch lies just east of the Rutherford and St. Helena appellations, a few miles south of the Howell Mountain, and a mile north of Pritchard Hill. Here at the confluence of these appellations, we tend twenty-three acres of vineyards planted in the hidden valleys and on the gentler hillsides of the Vaca Mountains..



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The Ranch Cabernet Sauvignon is produced from grapes grown in our Lost Orchard, Lower, and Brothers Vineyards, blended with Merlot and Petit Verdot – all estate fruit which comes together to create a powerful but approachable wine in a classic Bordeaux style.

TASTING NOTES: The 2015 Ranch has a brooding bouquet of black plums, cedar and violets. Dark fruit, anise and sage follow on the palate. The wine is seamless and rich supported by warm, chalky tannins. The Ranch is both indulgent and savory with a clean finish. It is made to be enjoyed immediately upon release and for the next 10 years.

Composition: 85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot, 5% Petit Verdot

Production: 1,292 cases

Regular Price: \$56.99 CLUB CRUSH PRICE: \$51.29
