

PEJU

NAPA VALLEY

2016 CABERNET FRANC *napa valley*

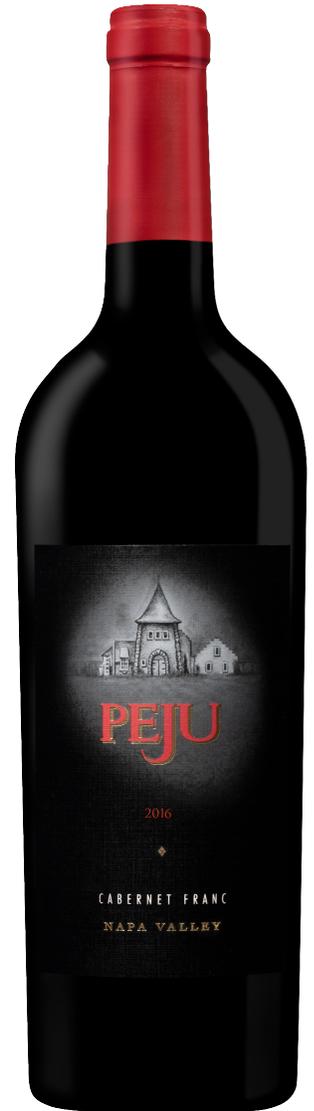
In 1983, Tony and Herta Peju bought thirty acres of vines in the famed Rutherford district of the Napa Valley. Since then, the Peju family has maintained a meticulous focus on the vineyard, which has grown to include a proactive approach to sustainability and environmental consciousness. That longstanding commitment and respect for the grapes can be tasted with each sip of these balanced and elegant wines. Still family-owned and operated with daughters Lisa and Ariana poised to take the helm, Peju Winery has become an integral piece of the Napa Valley landscape.

VINTAGE

The near-perfect 2016 growing season started early, saw ideal weather conditions throughout and wrapped up as the valley's first significant fall rainstorm arrived in mid October. Thanks to a relatively steady and mild July and August and then a series of warm days at the end of the growing season, vineyards were able to progress to perfect ripeness. Wines from the 2016 vintage represent the fifth consecutive vintage of stellar quality Napa Valley wines.

TASTING

Dark and mysterious, the 2016 Cabernet Franc emanates aromas of cedar, bramble fruit, and blackberry, then indulges the drinker with seductive flavors of pomegranate, black cherry, and rhubarb cobbler. With beautiful soft tannins and a long, clean finish, we know it will convert you into a long-time fan (if you weren't one already!). Delicious now, this 2016 Cabernet Franc will continue to mature for the next 5-7 years.



ALCOHOL: 14.8%
TA: 6.4 g/l
PH: 3.57

APPELLATION: *napa valley*

AGING: *18 months*

RELEASE DATE: *april 2019*

VINEYARDS: *wappo*

HARVEST DATE: *october 2016*

CELLARING: *enjoy now through 2026*

COMPOSITION : *83% cabernet franc, 17% cabernet sauvignon*

BOTTLING DATE: *may 2018*

SRP: *\$70*

COOPERAGE : *40% new, french and american oak*

PRODUCTION: *1,992 cases*

WINEMAKER: *Sara Fowler*