# **OUR STORY**

In 1983, Tony and Herta(HB) Peju purchased thirty acres in the famed Rutherford district of the Napa Valley. They worked hard to build a winery, plant estate vineyards and raise their family. They remain family-owned, with their two daughters, Ariana and Lisa guiding the business today. Ariana and Lisa are bringing fresh innovation while maintaining the meticulous focus on quality that began over 35 years ago. With its landmark tower and warm hospitality, PEJU Winery is an integral part of the Napa Valley landscape.

# **VINEYARDS**

We believe great wines are made in the vineyard and we are committed to farming sustainably and naturally to preserve our properties for the long term. All six of our estate vineyards are certified Fish Friendly and three of our estate-grown vineyards contribute to the richness of this wine; Persephone, Tess, and Rutherford.

### VINTAGE

February saw abundant rains, followed by lots of filtered light in spring and early summer. Both bud break and flowering occurred under ideal weather conditions, creating plentiful and even fruit set. Summer brought generous sun during the day and cooler marine influences, virtually uninterrupted by major heat spikes. The relatively mild summer followed by extended Fall sunshine and moderate heat created near-ideal conditions for fruit to accumulate flavor complexity.

# **TASTING & DETAILS**

This is a complex and delicious wine. It beckons with aromas of dark purple plum and anise. Bright fruit flavors follow that include Bing cherries, boysenberries, white pepper and savory. The well-defined, and elegant tannins add texture and length to the finish and will ensure a long life in the cellar.

Appellation: Napa Valley Composition: 80% Merlot,

17% Cabernet Sauvignon,

3% Petit Verdot

Oak: French & American oak,

40% new

Aging: 18 months Harvest: October 2018 Release: August 2021

Production: 3,100 cases Winemaker: Sara Fowler Alcohol: 14.5%

# **ACCLAIM**

2017 VINTAGE (2018 not yet rated) 91 Points, Winemaker Competition

2016 VINTAGE

91 Points, JamesSuckling.com



# LEGACY COLLECTION MERLOT

NAPA VALLEY

2018



