

PEJU

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.



LEGACY COLLECTION MERLOT NAPA VALLEY 2018

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: *76% Merlot,
24% Cabernet Sauvignon*
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



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