# THE CRUSHER



# VARIETAL COMPOSITION

Cabernet Sauvignon

78% Cabernet Sauvignon 14% Petite Sirah 4% Tempranillo 4% Merlot

**APPELLATION** California

OAK AGING 15 months

OAK SOURCING 40% French Oak, 40% American, 20% Hungarian 80% New, 20% Seasoned

ALCOHOL 13.5%

**PH** 3.64 **TA** 5.8 g/L

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### **2016 CABERNET SAUVIGNON**

## **TASTING NOTES**

The Crusher Cabernet Sauvignon is a deep ruby color with vivid aromas of ripe black cherry, perfumed lavender and toasty oak notes. The youthful and inviting aromas lead to a lush mouthfeel where layers of dark fruit flavors are revealed. The intensely flavored palate offers flavors of juicy fruit, toasted almond and brown baking spice notes. The wine is aged in 80% new oak (40% American and 40% French) and 20% seasoned Hungarian Oak, giving the wine a soft texture with fine, well-integrated tannins.

### **APPELLATION**

With its moderate climate, and diverse terroir, California offers many distinct AVAs. Known for its abundant sunshine which helps to ensure a reliable extended growing season, the "Golden State" has become an American winemaking mecca on par with the other great wine regions of the world. California boasts nearly 100 American Viticulture Areas (AVAs), that encompass over a half million acres of vineyards, supporting a diverse varietal mix. For our 2016 The Crusher Cabernet Sauvignon, we sought fruit from Clarksburg, Lodi and Paso Robles – all regions that see ample sunshine hours and grow grapes with beautiful fruit concentration.

## VINTAGE

California enjoyed a beautiful 2016 growing season. A relatively even growing season followed welcome winter rains that eased California's ongoing drought. The entire ripening season enjoyed cooler than average daytime highs and cold nights—perfect for growing Cabernet Sauvignon.

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More than 110 years ago, the Sebastiani family embarked on a winemaking journey, setting down roots in Sonoma, California. With passion, hard work and decades of pioneering in the wine industry now under their belt, a mission to deliver varietally expressive, premium quality wines sourced from the Golden State's finest regions was born- introducing The Crusher. Named for the first, most precious moments in the winemaking process when grapes meet "The Crusher" and begin their transformation into a food-friendly, approachable wine