

2017 THREE SAINTS CABERNET SAUVIGNON  
HAPPY CANYON OF SANTA BARBARA  
\$25



ALCOHOL  
14.1%

AGED  
17 months

OAK  
Neutral French

HARVESTED  
Sept-Oct 2017

BOTTLED  
March 2019

CELLAR LIFE  
5-7 years

VINTAGE

2017 is one of the best recent vintages observed from Star Lane. This is evidenced by depth of flavor, complexity, and texture across all varieties. A trademark of special vintages is when such descriptors are applied not here and there from a site, but across all varieties and all blocks. With such a diverse vineyard a long ripening time line is typical and different weather patterns throughout a month can create the feel of different “harvests” even within a single vintage. 2017 was a wonderfully even vintage and the wines reflect the steady harvest in their restraint, depth and balance.

WINEMAKER NOTES

Our 2017 Bordeaux fruit came out on top this vintage, and became time and again, our favorite barrels to track developmental transformations. These wines showed more than just promise, and we found our blending trials to be straightforward and instinctual. The Cabernet Sauvignon was more forward and available in barrel and should help make this wine expressive in its youth.

TASTING NOTES

Without fail, it’s hard to miss the distinct characteristics of Three Saints Cabernet: fresh sage and wild herbs comingling with ripe red and blue fruits, framed perfectly together with a modest addition of new French oak barrels. The texture for this vintage gives the best of both worlds; firm, structured tannins dancing amongst bright fresh fruit. Ready and showing wonderfully in its youth, this wine will continue to develop more complex flavors as it matures in bottle.

