RED MARE WINES

Napa Valley . Alpha Mare Red



Vintage 2016

91 + Points

Black cherry, bittersweet chocolate, espresso, menthol and licorice fill out in this potent, super-concentrated Oakville Cabernet Sauvignon. Readers will want to give the 2016 a few years in bottle, as the tannins are pretty imposing at this stage. Even so, there is quite a bit to look forward to once the wine settles down a bit.



Vintage 2015

92 + Points

Blended of 89% Cabernet Sauvignon and 11% Malbec, the deep garnet-purple colored 2015 Alpha Mare is youthful with black and red currants, underbrush and black pepper notes plus wafts of bay leaves and cedar. Full, muscular, firm and chewy in the mouth, it has appealing freshness and an earthy finish. Give it a couple of years in bottle and drink it over the next 15+



DOUBLE GOLD



91 Points



The 2013 Alpha Mare is a richer, more concentrated wine that's a blend of 97.5% Cabernet Sauvignon and 2.5% Malbec aged 22 months in 87% new French oak. The wine shows good depth, ripeness, plenty of power and a nicely textured, pure mouthfeel with black fruits, earth and a touch of incense, espresso and chocolate.

