



HYDE DE VILLAINE

2016 CALIFORNIO SYRAH HYDE VINEYARD NAPA VALLEY

PROPRIETORS:	Mr. and Mrs. Aubert de Villaine Mr. and Mrs. Laurence W. Hyde Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Hyde III
APPELLATION:	Carneros, Napa Valley
VINEYARD:	Hyde Vineyard, at the eastern edge of Los Carneros
AGE OF VINES:	16 to 22 years
EXPOSURE:	South by southeast
SOIL:	Haire Clay Loam
SUBTERRANEAN:	Ancient terraces and alluvial fans
ACREAGE:	2.1 acres
HARVEST DATES:	September 23
VARIETAL:	100% Syrah
BARREL AGING:	18 months in French oak; 20% new
BOTTLED:	March 21, 2018; unfinned and unfiltered
ALCOHOL:	14.3%
PRODUCTION:	465 cases (9L)

VINTAGE NOTES

2016 started with a cold and wet winter, which gave the vines a well-deserved dormancy after the fast-paced growing season of 2015. Bud break occurred in mid-March and was followed by a dry and warm spring. This resulted in a healthy and vigorous canopy and ideal pollination, which provided a bountiful crop.

Heavy fog in early August slowed down the maturation process and allowed for optimal phenolic development while retaining the freshness and natural acidity Hyde Vineyard is known for. Harvest started the second week of August and was completed by the first week of October.

WINEMAKER NOTES

Flavors of dark plum and mountain blueberry lead into hues of tobacco, black pepper and black olive. Aromatic nuances of coriander, basil and violet bring a savory and floral complexity that is reaffirmed with notes of iron and smoked meat. Fine grain tannins and elevated acidity transition to an extended finish reminiscent of berry herbal tea. A wine of precision and restrained power. — *Guillaume Boudet, Winemaker*

CALIFORNIO

The name Californio pays tribute to the early California settlers of Spanish heritage, or Californios, who tamed the wilds of the frontier. As descendants of the early Californios, we strive to present a Syrah that highlights one of California's premier growing sites, Hyde Vineyard, while embodying the elegance of the Old World.

