



2016

WENTE

CABERNET FRANC



APPELLATION: Livermore Valley, San Francisco Bay

VARIETAL CONTENT: 93% Cabernet Franc, 7% Petit Verdot

WINEMAKER: Karl D. Wente

ALCOHOL: 14.3%

pH: 3.75

TA: 0.59g/ 100ml

**BARRELS PRODUCED: 30** 

### VINEYARD

Our small lot wine is harvested from carefully selected blocks that are estate grown and sustainably farmed. With an east-west valley orientation, the site gets warm days and cool nights that are influenced by fog and breezes from the San Francisco Bay and Pacific Ocean. The grapes are handpicked and sorted at harvest time in order to ensure premium quality.

### FERMENTATION -

Fermentation took place in small stainless steel tanks where the must was gently pumped over three times daily.

## AGING-

The wine was aged for 18 months in 60% new and 40% second and third use French oak barrels.

# DESCRIPTION .

Our 2016 Small Lot Cabernet Franc is one of our Club Members' favorites due to it's complex aromatics from black plum, Bay leaf, a hint of spice and a touch of earthiness. This wine has a rounded mouthfeel and lingering heat.

# HISTORY -

Founded in 1883, Wente Vineyards is the country's oldest continuously operated family-owned winery. Owned and managed today by the Fourth and Fifth Generations of the Wente family, the winery draws from nearly 3,000 acres of sustainably farmed estate vineyards in the Livermore Valley, San Francisco Bay, and Arroyo Seco, Monterey winegrowing regions to make an outstanding portfolio of wines.