

Le P'tit Paysan

Cabernet Sauvignon, 2017



ABOUT THE WINE

Wine maverick Ian Brand has crafted more Blue Apron wines than anyone else, for the simple reason that we can always expect a pleasant surprise—like a punk band releasing an acoustic tune. His 2016 Cabernet was a rustic, old-school delight. So in 2017, he sought to make a Cab that's a little more modern, akin to the classic California Cabernets that balance intense fruit flavors with spicy, savory notes. One sip will leave you saying, "Rock on, Ian."

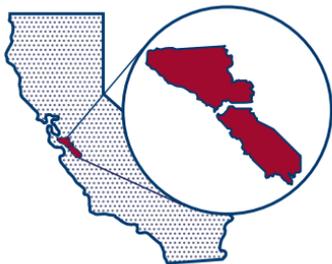


DID YOU KNOW?

Part of Santa Clara County includes the Santa Cruz Mountains region, home to Ridge Vineyards. The winery's Cabernet is considered among the world's best.

ABOUT THE REGION

San Benito and Santa Clara are adjacent counties in California's 250-mile-long Central Coast region. Cold air rolling in from the Pacific makes for slow, even ripening of the grapes. This wine's red-fruit flavors come from grapes grown in Santa Clara's sandy soil (35% of the blend); the tannins and dark-fruit flavors come from warmer plots, in San Benito (65%).



San Benito County &
Santa Clara County, California

AT A GLANCE

Variety: Cabernet Sauvignon

Vintage: 2017

Vineyard: Various

Oak: French oak (14 months)

Alcohol: 12.7%

Farming: Conventional

To learn more about this wine, visit blueapron.com/wines/245

TASTING NOTES

Le P'tit Paysan Cabernet Sauvignon is everything you want in a California Cab. It's full of bold fruit flavors, supported by savory, spicy notes that make this a complex, classic wine.

1) Look at the Color



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Dark purple

2) Swirl & Smell



Blackberry



Dark cherry



Leather



Sandalwood

3) Taste & Savor



TASTING TIP

Smell and taste for the leather and sandalwood characters. They're quintessential descriptors of wines that were aged in oak barrels.

4) Pair & Enjoy!



Bold &
Spicy

Match this wine's symbol to a Blue Apron Meal

These wines are about balancing concentration and complexity. Rhône red blends, Syrah/Shiraz and Zweigelt all have intense flavors of dark fruit accented with spice notes—black pepper, clove and cinnamon, to name a few. That fruity-peppery symmetry is simply beautiful with lamb, a specialty in the Rhône Valley.

More classic pairings:

Braised meat | Grilled lamb | Cassoulet