



FROG'S LEAP

2015 CABERNET SAUVIGNON *Chavez Leeds Vineyard - "South Block"* *Rutherford*

THE BLEND

100% Cabernet sauvignon

PRODUCTION

357 cases - 20 barrels

RELEASE DATE

May 2018

STATISTICS

harvested —

September 9 - 11
24.0° brix at harvest
13.8% alcohol
5.6 g/L total acidity
3.64 pH
aged 18 months in
new French oak

WINEMAKERS

John Williams
Paula Moschetti
Rory Williams

VINEYARDIST

Frank Leeds

A BRIEF HISTORY

When Frank and Beth Leeds started to replant their 4th generation family vineyard—perfectly placed on the Rutherford Bench—we all knew that there was going to be some special Cabernet grapes coming our way.

The latest ripening of all our west side Rutherford Cabernet sauvignon blocks—the Chavez Leeds “South Block”—takes its time to consistently produce some of our finest Cabernet Sauvignon. Pure “Rutherford Dust” and that special texture “like running your hand over velvet against the nap.” I was surprised to find that we had not selected it for special recognition as a FrogFellow lot before.

ABOUT THE WINE

Deeply scented, the 2015 “South Block” has all the characteristic tension and dynamic of Rutherford Bench Cabernets. Much has been said about the unmistakable character of “Rutherford Dust” but in our opinion so few wines exude it. Here you go: Rich, velvety mouthfeel, perfect balance and that special soft tannin finish complete the wine. Clearly built for many years in the cellar, the wine never-the-less charms upon first pour of the decanter. A rack of lamb perfectly roasted, a bit of mint jelly, some roasted new potatoes ... let the evening begin.