

2016
Collection Series
Cabernet Sauvignon
Royal Slope AVA



Release Date:
December 2020

Cases produced:
25 of each wine

MSRP:
\$135/3-pack Collection
(not sold individually)



ABOUT THE COLLECTION SERIES

Gård Vintners' Collection Series aims to showcase the unique characteristics of our specific estate vineyard sites farmed sustainably on the Royal Slope. Lawrence Vineyards provides an excellent framework for grape production, while the diversity of each location delivers a high level of uniqueness and complexity to our wines.

We recommend tasting through our Collection Series in the following order

2016 Laura Lee Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon

Planted 2008. 1,125-1,135 ft elevation. Row orientation: N/S. West slope. Soil profile: Ekrub fine sand. Sustainably farmed.

This bright ruby red Cabernet Sauvignon comes from our Laura Lee vineyard site. The wine starts with intense aromas of fresh plums, red currant, raspberry puree, and hints of floral stem. Swirling brings darker fruit and spice into the aromatic composition, with blackberry, cassis, black pepper, and a subtle note of pyrazines that remains in the back, underlying the fruit. The palate is light-bodied with a silky texture, bright acidity, a well-integrated oak presence, and extremely polished tannins. This is a very elegant Old World style Cabernet Sauvignon that showcases pure fruit and nice minerality from one of our high caliche sites.

2016 Corfu Crossing Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon

Planted 2008. 1,400-1,460 ft elevation. Row orientation: N/S. South slope. Soil profile: Taunton silt loam. Farmed using organic practices.

The bright-medium ruby red from Corfu Crossing, an extremely unique silt-loam site from our farm. Opens with medium-intense aromas of blackberry, licorice, tobacco leaf and menthol. After some time in the glass, the wine opens with slightly riper notes of plum and hints of orange zest, herbs, and a touch of green olives. The mouthfeel is generous for the relative low alcohol, with nice sweetness and a savory quality. The oak presentation frames the wine elegantly and the tannins are well-developed, making a round overall composition. A unique style of Cabernet Sauvignon, that finishes long, nicely combining fruit and savory until the end.

2016 Scarline Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon

Planted 2003. 1,365-1,430 ft elevation. Row orientation: N/S. West slope. Soil profile: Adkins very fine sandy loam. Sustainably farmed.

Medium-deep red in color, the wine starts with a beautifully plush nose of dark berries, black plum, currant, mocha, and cocoa powder. It opens slowly to sweeter notes of black cherry confiture, figs, and hints of baking spices. Concentrated with an almost dense texture but balanced acidity, this wine has a terrific palate with refined tannins, beautiful sweetness, palate-staining length, and a lingering perfumed finish. More "new world" in style than its pairs, this wine was sourced from one of our oldest blocks and showcases a very well-defined fruit profile and overall personality.