

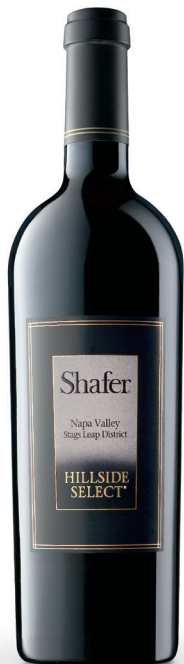


2017 HILLSIDE SELECT®

NAPA VALLEY • STAGS LEAP DISTRICT

Hillside Select is a wine of a place, sourced from carefully selected blocks of Stags Leap District hillside vineyards. These grapes are small and deeply colored, with concentrated flavors enhanced by meticulous winemaking and extensive aging in French oak barrels. Hillside Select consistently expresses the voluptuous fruit, rich flavors, and velvety texture that characterize grapes grown in this renown AVA.

Release Date	September 1, 2021
Vineyard Location	100% hillside vineyards in Stags Leap District including Shafer's estate vineyard blocks Sunspot, John's Upper 7, Venado Ilegal, and Firebreak
2017 Growing Season	Plenty of rain in winter and spring ended a series of drought years and kicked off a long, warm growing season that produced clusters of fruit with deep color, pure flavors, and enticing aromas.
Varietal Composition	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Brix at Harvest	24.0° - 26.0°
Alcohol	15.5%
Cooperage	32 months in 100% new 60-gallon French oak barrels (Allier and Tronçais)



WINEMAKER COMMENTS

"The 2017 is our 35th vintage of Hillside Select and this release more than earns its place in this classic, elegant lineage. In the glass you'll find rich, opulent aromas of blackberry, cocoa, black cherry, rhubarb, rose water, and espresso. The mouth is a juicy, energetic cascade of summer bramble fruit, cassis, black licorice, red plum, fresh cracked pepper, and baking spice with a lengthy, compelling finish. All this decadence comes wrapped in ripe tannins for long-term aging in your cellar." — ELIAS FERNANDEZ

SHAFFER VINEYARDS

Shafer Vineyards is a 30,000 case winery in Napa Valley's Stags Leap District. The Shafer family owns and farms 220 acres of vineyards, sources for Shafer's Cabernet Sauvignon, Chardonnay, Malbec, Merlot, Syrah, and Petite Sirah.