



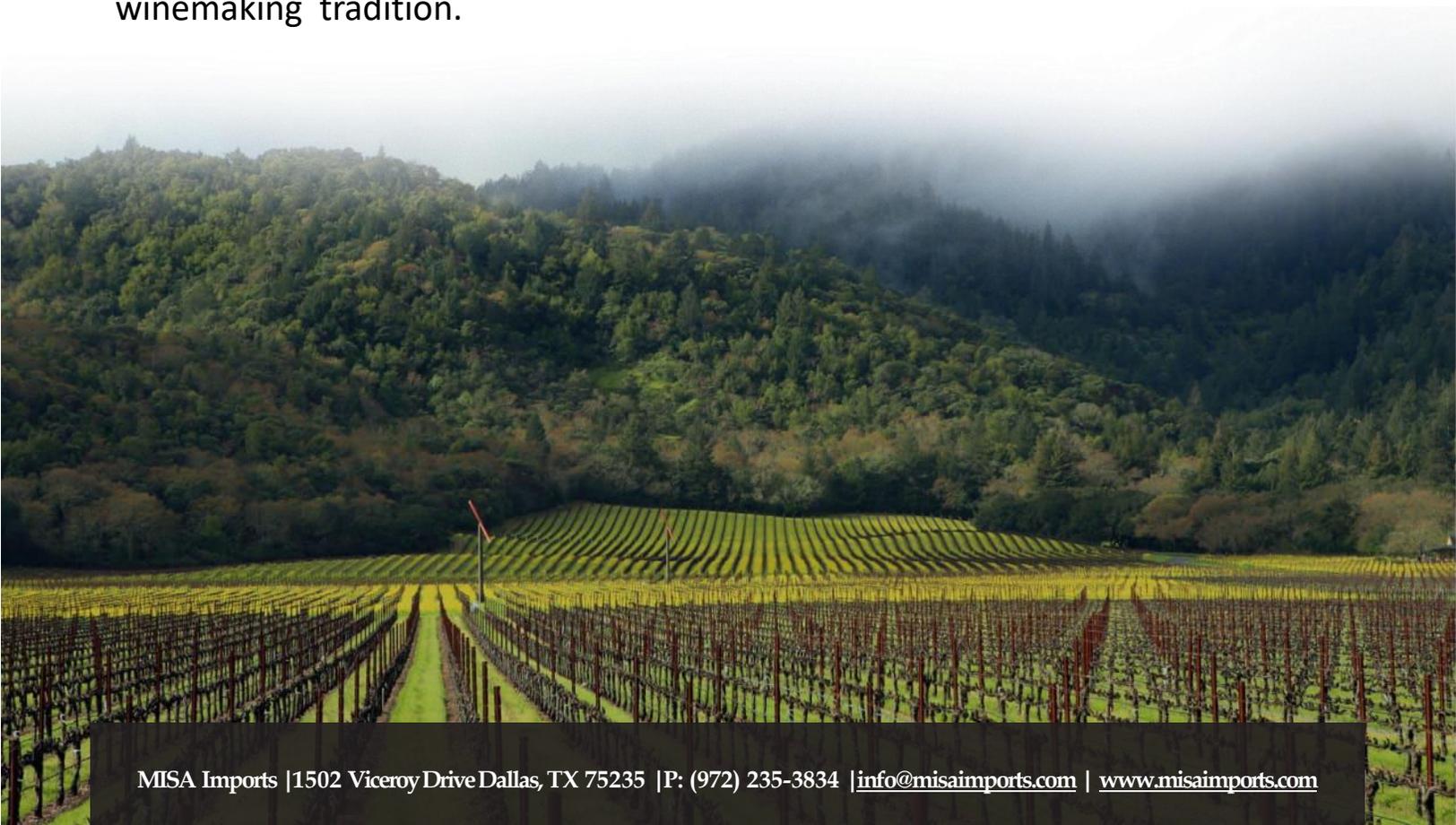
CARTE BLANCHE



New World Tradition

Proprietor Nicholas Allen's family has been in the wine business for nearly a century, since his great grandfather, Clarence Dillon, acquired Chateau Haut-Brion in 1935 and his family company, Domaine Clarence Dillon, subsequently purchased Chateau La Mission Haut-Brion in 1983. He gained an early exposure, appreciation, and genuine interest in wine from his family. Eventually, Allen was inspired to produce his own boutique label in Napa Valley – Carte Blanche.

Carte Blanche wines are produced with a generations-old commitment to creating limited, hand-crafted, fine wine. Hands on viticulture, vineyard management, and classical winemaking adapted to northern California are the foundation of these wines. Carte Blanche represents a commitment to crafting limited, luxury wines in America that are inspired by the classical French winemaking tradition.





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Pinot Noir **2017**

Sun Chase Vineyard, Sonoma Coast

Soil

Goulding Series – Gravelly clay loam
(Petaluma Gap Region)

Winemaking

Aged 18 months in barrel – 40% new oak, 100% French Burgundian.

Tasting Notes

The 2017 Sun Chase Vineyard Pinot Noir springs from the glass offering Bing cherry, pomegranate, black raspberry, dried Provencal herbs, lavender and loamy rock. The mid-palate supports a dynamic chorus of savory notes, plush red and dark fruits, and a beam of acidity to support a long seamless finish. 200 cases produced.

93pts

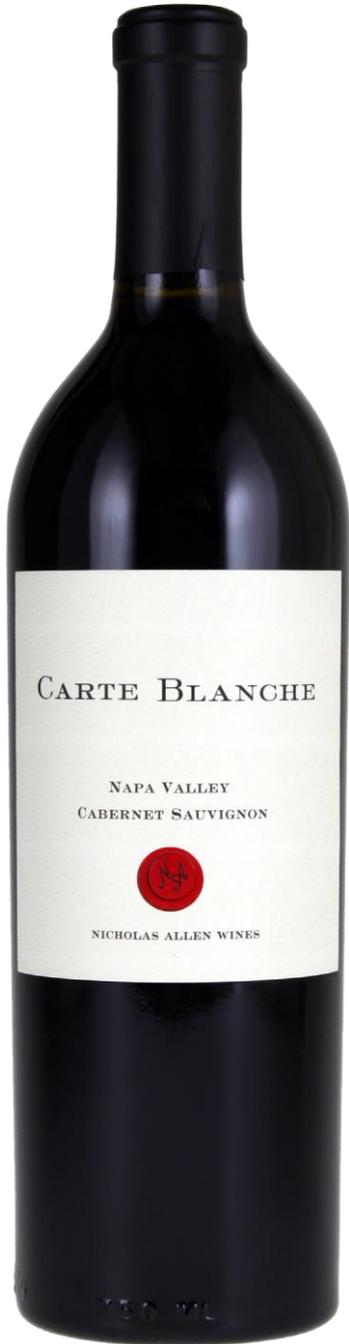
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Cabernet Sauvignon **2016**

Napa Valley

Soil

Stoney-loam of Missouri Hopper

Winemaking

Aged 22 months in barrel – 100% French Oak.

Tasting Notes

Dark and red fruits, cassis, violets, forest floor, wet stones, and a hint of lead pencil layer seamlessly throughout the nose. A plush and generous palate opens to reveal black fruits, hint of red currant, fresh tobacco leaf, and crushed rock, all leading to a silky ultra long finish. 500 cases produced.

97 pts

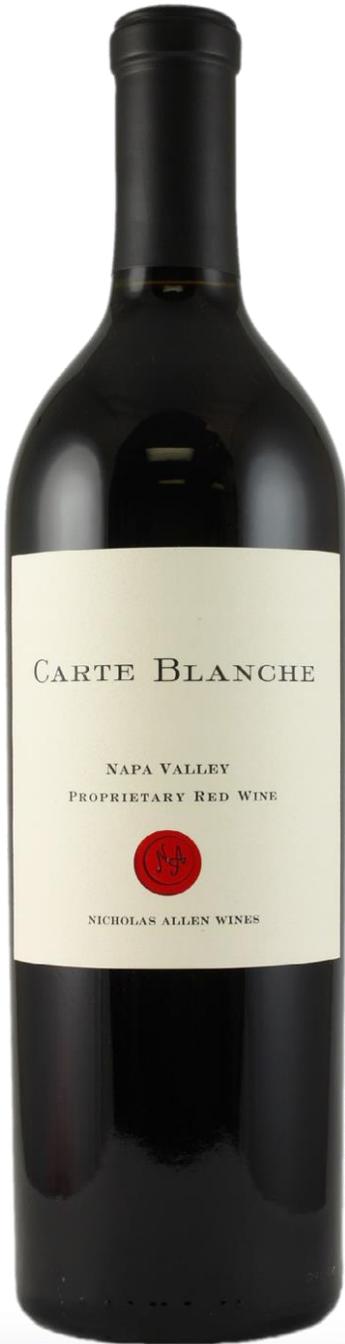
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Proprietary Red **2016**

Napa Valley

Blend

40% Cabernet Sauvignon, 29% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Franc, 5% Petit Verdot

Soil

Variety of soils; red volcanic of Sage Canyon, clayish-loamy soils of Hopper and Orchard.

Winemaking

Aged 22 months in barrel – 100% French Oak.

Tasting Notes

The 2016 Proprietary Red shows blackberry, ripe plum, blueberry, cocoa and cedar on the nose. The palate is silky and focused, showcasing red and black currant, crushed blackberries, tobacco, and hint of graphite through an enduring finish. 150 cases produced.

95pts

Jeb Dunnuck

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Wine Advocate