

Founded in 1879 by Gustave Niebaum, INGLENOOK remains the crown jewel of the Napa Valley under the stewardship of the Coppola family.

2017 RUBICON

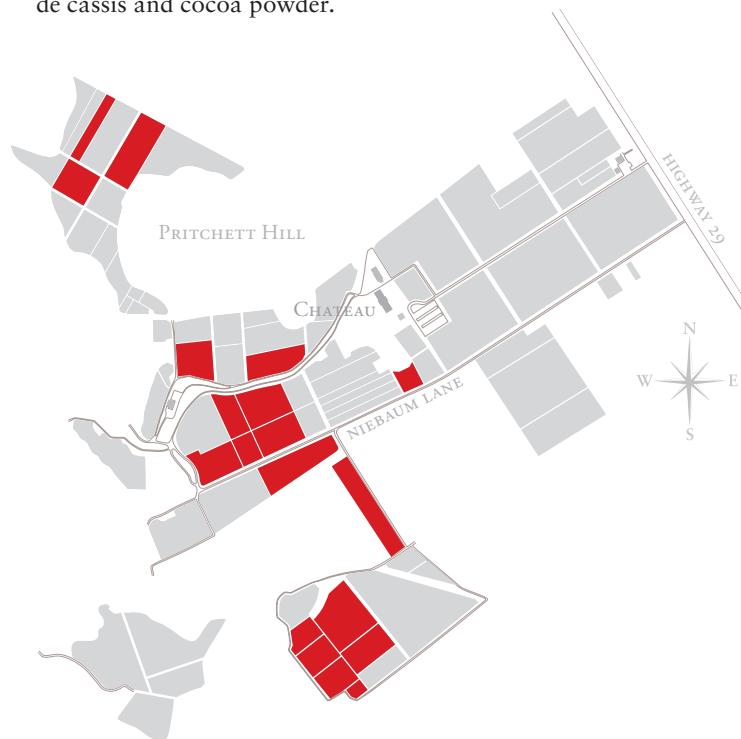
The production of Rubicon, Inglenook's premier red wine, began in 1978 and restored the estate's legacy of making world-class wines. Rubicon is an elegant blend from the finest vineyard blocks and showcases the highest potential of both the estate and the vintage. Under the guidance of Philippe Bascaules, Inglenook's Director of Winemaking, Rubicon proudly takes its place alongside much older, revered vintages of Inglenook in collectors' cellars around the world.

VINTAGE NOTES

Rainfall in winter and spring of 2017 was bountiful, totaling nearly 50 inches. These conditions allowed for a smooth transition into bloom and fruit set. The beautiful organically-farmed fruit used to produce the Inglenook 2017 Rubicon came from select vineyard blocks on our estate. We harvested Merlot on August 31st, began harvesting Cabernet Sauvignon on September 5th, and concluded with Cabernet Franc on September 28th. The fruit showed balanced acidity across the board, which created a compelling freshness in the final blend.

WINEMAKER'S TASTING NOTES

The 2017 Rubicon is expansive, with intriguing depth. The wine has exciting complexity below the surface, which enhances its expressiveness. There is a defined aromatic core of ripe red and black fruits, especially raspberry, black cherry, and cassis. It is seamless on the palate, with finely-polished tannins. The lingering finish is refreshing, with notes of crème de cassis and cocoa powder.



APPELLATION:
RUTHERFORD, NAPA VALLEY

BLEND:
86% CABERNET SAUVIGNON
10% MERLOT
4% CABERNET FRANC

VINEYARDS:
COHN, GIO, CREEK, APPLE,
LOWER CASK, WALNUT,
LA LOMITA, LOWER GARDEN

ALCOHOL:
14.1%

BARREL REGIME:
18 MONTHS
100% FRENCH OAK,
75% NEW OAK

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