



Fratelli Perata Winery

Fratelli Perata 2016 Mafalda, Estate

The 2016 growing season was unmarked by any extreme weather other than the ongoing drought. The spring was normal and the summer mild, heating up just at the end to throw us into harvest. This resulted in really good wines. Mafalda, our blend of Cabernet Franc, Merlot and a teensy bit of Petit Verdot is no exception. The Cabernet Franc flavors of cranberry and cherry, with its hallmark savory earthy notes, surround aromas of peppery spice. Cabernet Franc is typically a lighter bodied wine; our Merlot (suggested for aging) adds richness and full body while still being approachable early on, just in Mama Mafalda's style. Petit Verdot adds just a bit of heft that allows the blend to pair with any regal steak or meatballs!

Blend: 56% Cabernet Franc, 38% Merlot, 6% Petit Verdot

Alcohol: 14.2%

Bottled: May 8th, 2019

Production: 128 cases

Aging: Smooth and fruity. Ready to drink after giving it a good 6 hours to decant or cellar through 2025.