

PEJU

In 1983, Tony and Herta(HB) Peju purchased thirty acres of vines in the famed Rutherford district of the Napa Valley. They worked hard to build a winery, plant estate vineyards and raise their family. They remain family-owned, with their two daughters, Ariana and Lisa guiding the business today. Ariana and Lisa are bringing fresh innovation while maintaining the meticulous focus on quality that began over 35 years ago. With its landmark tower and warm hospitality, PEJU Winery is an integral part of the Napa Valley landscape.



**RESERVE
MERITAGE**
NAPA VALLEY
2017

TASTING

This Bordeaux blend begins with deep, dark dried cherry fruit, ripe plum, black mission figs with subtle hints of leather. Toasty oak and a sweet spice enter followed by fresh vanilla bean. Our 2017 Meritage is firmly structured yet silky smooth on the palate, with soft subtle tannis that lead to a layered finish.

DETAILS

Appellation:	<i>Napa Valley</i>	Bottling:	<i>June 2020</i>
Composition:	<i>54% Cabernet Sauvignon, 23% Cabernet Franc, 12% Malbec, 11% Petit Verdot</i>	Release:	<i>October 2020</i>
Oak:	<i>French & American oak, 60% new</i>	Production:	<i>208</i>
Harvest:	<i>October 2017</i>	Winemaker:	<i>Sara Fowler</i>
		Alcohol:	<i>15.2%</i>

ACCOLADES

96 Points, Double Gold *American Fine Wine Competition - The Invitational*

VINEYARDS

We believe that great wines are made in the vineyard and we are committed to farming sustainably and naturally to preserve these properties for the long term. We are certified Napa Green at our Rutherford winery and vineyard. In 2019 all six of our estate vineyards were certified Fish Friendly Farming, as apart of our ongoing commitment to sustainability.

VINTAGE

2017 began with abundant rainfall, followed by a mild Spring resulting in extended flowering. A Labor Day weekend heatwave kicked harvest into high gear, then cool weather allowed sugar levels to return to normal. The 2017 vintage wines display “finesse,” “great complexity of flavor” and “elegance.”

