



HILL FAMILY  
E S T A T E



## 2017 Like a Hawk

**Production:** 658 cases

**Composition:** 52% Cabernet Sauvignon, 24% Syrah, 22% Malbec and 2% Viognier

**Vineyards:** Baker, Clarke, Apallas, Villagio and Windy Flats

**Appellation:** Napa Valley

**Cooperage:** 14 months in 60% new oak, (40% French oak, Meyrieux, Nadalier, Remond, Treuil, and Tonnellerie O. Then we had 10% Trust Hungarian, and 10% American oak from Canton Cooperage)

**Alcohol:** 14.8% alc, 3.80 pH, 0.63 TA

**Bottling date:** April, 19, 2019

**Release date:** Fall 2019

**Release price:** \$54.00

For a few years now, Hill Family has been creating a unique blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah known for its punch and vigor. The Syrah and Cabernet Sauvignon lots are always a treat to blend, and eventually we find the place where this “Team of Rivals” fits together better than each could show separately. In 2017, the “Like a Hawk” is again mostly made from the Baker vineyard in Atlas Peak and Windy Flats vineyard in Wooden Valley. The Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah are joined by another big hitter, Malbec. With its plushy structure and big color, Malbec embraces the Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah in a huge way, unifying it and making it even more hedonistic. Like a Hawk is a big, elegant intense wine, with huge color and density.

### **Winemaker Alison Doran’s tasting notes:**

The 2017 Like a Hawk has aromas of plum, vanilla, boysenberry and just a hint of elderberry blossom. The palate is rich and velvety with flavors of berry fruit, vanilla and mocha flavors.