2017 TD-9®

Napa Valley

TD-9 is a proprietary blend that celebrates a bold move. In 1973, in the space of a few months, John Shafer went from riding morning commuter trains in Chicago to teaching himself to drive a TD-9 tractor in our Napa Valley vineyard. He'd never grown grapes or made wine in his life. That spirit of risk-taking and adventure still guides Shafer today and inspired the creation of this new wine.

Release Date	September 1, 2019
Vineyard Locations	Stags Leap District, Yountville, and a vineyard in the foothills of the Vaca Mountains just south of Stags Leap District
2017 Growing Season	A lengthy, warm summer allowed the fruit to hang in near ideal conditions for a long, long time producing clusters of fruit with vivid color, unrivaled flavors, and enticing aromas.
Varietal Composition	62% Merlot, 22% Malbec, 16% Cabernet Sauvignon
Brix at Harvest	23.5° – 25.5°
Cooperage	20 months in 60-gallon French oak barrels (100% new: Allier and Tronçais)
Alcohol	15.3%
Case Production	8,000
Suggested Retail	$60



Winemaker's Comments

"This juicy red blend is loaded with vivid summer fruit – red plum, red cherry, black cherry, and strawberry – along with rhubarb, spice, and red licorice. All this tantalizing freshness comes with energy and ripe tannins for a long, luscious finish."

—Elias Fernandez

Shafer Vineyards

Shafer Vineyards is a 30,000 case winery in Napa Valley's Stags Leap District. The Shafer family owns and farms 200 acres of vineyards, sources for Shafer's Cabernet Sauvignon, Chardonnay, Malbec, Merlot, Syrah, and Petite Sirah.

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