



2017 RELENTLESS®

NAPA VALLEY

This wine honors long-time Shafer Winemaker Elias Fernandez and his relentless pursuit of quality. Sourced from a single ridgetop vineyard adjacent to the southern border of Stags Leap District, the grapes for Relentless are a proprietary blend of Syrah and Petite Sirah.

Release Date	September 1, 2020
Vineyard Locations	A small ridgetop site and a foothills site along 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, enticing flavors, and unrivaled aromas.
Varietal Composition	86% Syrah, 14% Petite Sirah
Brix at Harvest	24.0° - 26.0°
Cooperage	30 months in 100% new 60-gallon French oak barrels (Allier & Tronçais)
Alcohol	15.8%



WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS

"The elegant 2017 offers a wealth of aromas and flavors – black plum, herbs, grilled game, vanilla, leather, herbs, river stone, and spice. The richness, balance, and vibrancy of the wine is mouth-filling and soul-satisfying on every level with ripe, silky tannins that offer the promise of greater pleasures with years of cellaring." — **ELIAS FERNANDEZ**

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

"... a bold, flamboyant wine that seems to have put on even more density over the last year, hard as that may seem to believe. Black cherry, licorice, spice, leather and menthol are all amped up in this decidedly opulent, full-throttle Syrah-based wine." — **ANTONIO GALLONI, VINOUS**

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.