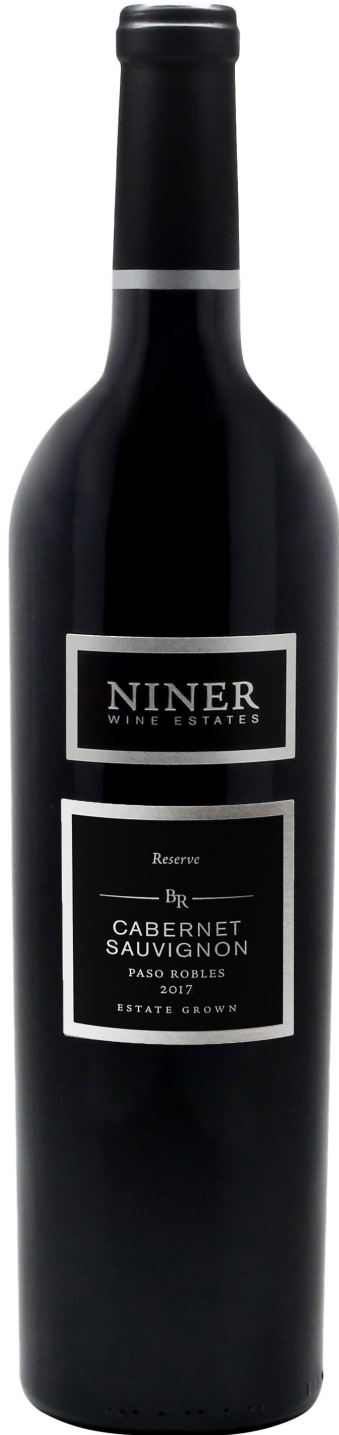


2017
**CABERNET
SAUVIGNON**
Bootjack Ranch

85% Cabernet Sauvignon · 10% Petit Verdot · 5% Carménère



VINEYARD

Bootjack Ranch is our oldest estate vineyard and we have been farming Cabernet Sauvignon at this site for nearly 20 years. In 2017 the growing season started with heavy Spring rains and moderate summer temperatures. That was followed with a couple of very hot weeks in September. The Cabernet Sauvignon at Bootjack Ranch weathered the heat well, and we harvested in late September and into early October. A single hillside set into the back half of the property is planted to Clone 15 Cabernet Sauvignon, and consistently produces the best wine from this site and is the foundation of this wine.

IN THE WINERY

As soon as we harvested Clone 15 from Bootjack Ranch, it gained the nickname “Star” from our cellar crew. It’s combination of classic elegance, cherry flavors and acidity made it a standout. It aged nearly two years in carefully selected French Oak barrels, softening the tannins and letting the wine develop ripe, expansive flavors. Half of those barrels were new which brought warmth and spice flavors to the naturally fruit-forward flavors the site is known for. After aging, we blended in small amounts of Petit Verdot and Carménère to add more layers and depth.

WINEMAKER	Patrick Muran
CLONES	15, 169
ROOTSTOCK	1103P, 420A
VINEYARD	Bootjack Ranch
AVERAGE BRIX	25.8
pH/TA	3.6/6.5 g/L
ALCOHOL	13.5%
AVERAGE YIELD	3.9 tons/acre
BARREL AGING	22 months
COOPERAGE	50% New French Oak
PRICE	\$65
CASES PRODUCED	204