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92 Points

CROCKER & STARR CABERNET FRANC 2015

(St. Helena, Napa Valley, CA) \$90

Cabernet franc—rare and desirable—is now one of the most expensive and sought-after grape varieties in the Napa Valley. But some producers like Crocker & Starr have been working with franc for 19 years. The experience and fine-tuning shows in this dark, mysterious, spicy wine that has a flavor as primordial, bold and earthy as single malt scotch. Lest you think of cabernet franc as somehow "lesser" or "lighter" than cabernet sauvignon, this dramatic wine will cure you of the illusion. (14.4% abv)