

THE SCRAPPER 2017 CABERNET FRANC, EL DORADO COUNTY

JS: Reserved character here, with notes of cedar wood, tobacco, spices and lead pencil to the red fruit. Medium to full-bodied with firm tannins and juicy dark fruit on the palate. Dry and polished with a long, even aftertaste. Drink or hold. **WE:** This wine is tightly wound, intensely flavorful and will benefit from extended time in the bottle. A great nose of red and black cherries, cranberries and cinnamon is followed by densely layered fruit and subtle spice flavors, all wrapped in significant finegrained tannins. Best from 2025. — Jim Gordon