



## 2019 ESTATE NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

### *Vintage:*

THE BEGINNING OF THE 2019 GROWING SEASON WAS DEFINED BY COPIOUS RAINFALL AND LATE SOIL MOISTURE. THE LONG, WARM SUMMER SAW VERY FEW EXTREME HEAT EVENTS, WITH FOGGY MORNINGS SETTING THE STAGE FOR VIBRANT AND EXPRESSIVE WINES. THE LONG, RELATIVELY MILD FINISH TO THE SEASON, NOT WITHOUT ITS MOMENTS OF UNPREDICTABILITY, HELPED TO PRESERVE FRESHNESS AND FINESSE IN THE FRUIT WITH ABUNDANT HANG TIME TEASING OUT GREAT COLOR, STRUCTURE AND SOFT TANNINS. VOLUME IS LOOKING TO BE ABOUT AVERAGE TO A LITTLE LESS THAN AVERAGE. ALL IN ALL, EXCEPTIONAL FRUIT WITH BRIGHT ACIDITY AND AMPLE TEXTURE PROMISES AN AMAZING VINTAGE.

### *Vineyard:*

THE ORGANICALLY FARMED CABERNET SAUVIGNON VINEYARD SITS ON THE FLANKS OF HOWELL MOUNTAIN AT 1300 FT AND FACES DIRECTLY TOWARDS THE SOUTHWEST AND WEST, WHICH BENEFITS FROM MAXIMUM SUN EXPOSURE. THE HIGH ELEVATION KEEPS OUR VINEYARD 5 DEGREES COOLER THAN THE VALLEY FLOOR RESULTING IN A STEADY GROWING SEASON AND THE ADDED BENEFIT OF LATE AFTERNOON SUN EXPOSURE. THIS SLOPE CONSISTS OF EXTREMELY ROCKY SOILS AND COMPLEX MICRO-CLIMATES ALLOWING US TO MAKE A VELVETY SOFT, YET COMPLEX CABERNET SAUVIGNON.

### *Tasting:*

DARK AND PLUSH WITH WONDERFUL DENSITY AND TEXTURE, THIS ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON SINGS OF ITS PLACE. A FOCUSED CORE OF RICH BLACK-CURRANT, DARK CARAMEL AND JUICY PLUM MELTS WITH AROMAS OF CURED TOBACCO LEAVES, BAKING SPICE, FOREST SOIL AND DRIED MINT. ULTRAFINE TANNINS AND SOFT, SLIPPERY TEXTURES MAKE THIS WINE A DELIGHT ALREADY, WITH EVEN MORE PROMISE AHEAD.

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### *Composition:*

100% CABERNET  
SAUVIGNON

### *Barrel Regime:*

22 MONTHS IN 100%  
NEW FRENCH OAK BARRELS

### *Bottling:*

198 CASES  
AUGUST 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2021

### *Aging:*

2022-2030

### *Winemaker:*

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