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2019  
NAPA VALLEY  
CABERNET  
SAUVIGNON

VINTAGE

2019 was a long, ideal growing season for our Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon. Bud break began in late March, leading to a Spring that had few showers and was relatively dry. Summer was also quite warm and long, leading into a steady Autumn harvest season. The consistent summer weather encouraged our Cabernet Sauvignon and Petit Verdot grapes to ripen in mid September to late October when they were in perfect balance.

WINE

Upon hand harvesting in the early morning hours, our grapes were carefully destemmed and sent to tank for a whole-berry fermentation. The grapes were cold-soaked in tank at 45°F for 4-7 days, allowing for increased color, aroma, and flavor extraction. After inoculation with a select yeast, the grape must (juice, skins, and seeds) fermented at 82°F, which allowed for a hot extraction on the skins. For fermentation cap management, the juice was pumped over the skins two times per day, wetting the cap evenly for a nice healthy fermentation. After fermentation and pressing, the 2019 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon was aged in 50% new French oak and 50% neutral oak for 20 months before bottling. The blend is 98% Cabernet Sauvignon and 2% Petit Verdot. This wine was bottled unfinned and unfiltered.

NOTES

This beautifully blended 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon is perfectly balanced with excellent fruit concentration. On the nose, this wine offers fresh blueberries, blackberry pie, huckleberry jam, cedar, and a touch of graphite. The palate offers smooth and velvety tannins, blackberry coulis, dried black cherries, blueberry compote, dark chocolate, toasted walnuts, croissants, and a touch of vanillin with a big finish that lingers. This offering is enjoyable today but will also evolve with cellar aging through 2035.

WINEMAKER: *Jason Moulton*

APPELLATION: *Napa Valley*

COMPOSITION: *98% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% Petit Verdot*

ALCOHOL: *14.9%*

CASE PACK: *12/750mL*

SRP: *\$48*

UPC: *0-11628314998*

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ACCOLADES: *92 Points - James Suckling*

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