

2019 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

APPELLATION HARVEST DATE pH TA ABV BARREL AGING CASES PRODUCED RELEASE DATE Sonoma County Oct 1, 9, 16, and 26th 2019 3.83 5.44 14.2% new French oak barrels 325 September 2022

PRODUCTION NOTES

The spring of 2019 was exceptionally wet with 20 days of rain in the month of May. This helped limit fruit set and meant the 2019 crop was much smaller than the massive 2018 Harvest. Things settles down after May, and the rest of the growing season was ideal. The lack of late season rains or heat spikes meant that we were able to harvest without any drama. The fruit quality in 2019 was excellent.

TASTING NOTES

The nose has beautiful floral notes of Cedar, warm earth, and Rose Petals. The palate has delicious dark fruits like Black Currant and Black Plum skin that are complimented by an elegant tobacco note. This wine is tight and very structured in the same way that the 2013 was in its youth and I believe that 2019 will evolve like the 2013 vintage and age very gracefully.

Due to the two major fires in 2020 we did not make a 2020 Flanagan Sonoma County Cabernet. We also lost the first crop from our redeveloped Estate Cabernet vineyard that year. In addition to the financial loss we were disappointed to lose the estate fruit as this was our first crop from the site. We did harvest the Estate Vineyard in 2021 and our whole team is excited about the quality this wine is showing in barrel!

We make our Cabernet like Left Bank Bordeaux. We source from hillside sites that are cooler and allow us to make structured wines with good acidity, freshness, and tension. These are not over-ripe, flabby wines from hot valley floor sites. Balance and restraint are our watchwords. Our Estate Vineyard sits on a steep east facing hillside and is the perfect addition to our Cabernet program



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