

## **2019** 29 ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON



Composition: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon Harvest Dates: September 26–October 16, 2019 Barrel Age: 20 months, 80% new, 100% French oak Cooperage: Taransaud, Demptos, Ermitage, Baron, Sylvain, Saury Bottling Date: June 3, 2021 Alcohol: 14.8% pH/TA: 3.75 / 0.56 Release Date: Fall 2022 Cases Produced: 490

**THE VINEYARD** Our 29 Estate Vineyard sits on a hillside just at the "pinch" of Napa Valley's hourglass shape. Excellent airflow provides natural frost protection, while the fertile clay loam soils encourage deeply rooted vines, yielding powerfully concentrated cabernet sauvignon tempered by markedly floral, velvet elegance and explosive aromatic.

**THE VINTAGE** The 2019 vintage was spectacular from start to finish. Some areas of Napa Valley recorded as much as 40-50 inches of much needed rain over the winter. The wet soils delayed budbreak and additional April rains provided a fully saturated environment for the vines. Spring weather was mild and ideal for fruit set and the summer of 2019 was phenomenal, for both the vines and the vineyard workers. Very few heat spikes and a long, drawn out growing season provided excellent, uniform ripening across all varietals.

THE WINE From a winemaking perspective, the 2019 '29 Estate' Cabernet Sauvignon was an absolute pleasure to craft. Its classic Napa Cabernet characters of black currants, cassis and violets all shine through while integrated, tight grain French oak contributes to the espresso, chocolate and clove flavors on the palate. The wine is velvety in texture with richness and concentration that match its aromatic intensity. The tannins are round and supple and the finish carries for what feels like minutes. A true example of power and finesse, the 2019 '29 Estate' Cabernet Sauvignon will age flawlessly for over two decades.