



# 2019 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Sonoma Valley, Sonoma County

## COOL CLIMATE CAB

### VINTAGE NOTES

2019 will be remembered for high winds and plentiful rain lasting into mid spring, which meant little need for irrigation during the growing season. We began harvest on September 5th, only one day sooner than 2018, and 2019 was generally slightly warmer than the year prior. This warmth resulted in lower acid levels and some riper fruit characteristics than in 2018; however, 2019 was still a very moderate growing season, allowing for exceptional hangtime across all varietals.

### VINEYARD INFORMATION

Our Cabernet Sauvignon is sourced primarily from the family's 163+-year-old, Rhinefarm Estate Vineyard, located on the southwest slopes of the Mayacamas Mountains, just eight miles north of San Pablo Bay. The terrain above 150 ft elevation is dominated by Arrowhead Mountain and features steep, southwest-facing hillsides of shallow, rocky soils of volcanic ash and alluvial wash. Pervasive maritime breezes and long daylight exposure allow fruit to develop intense concentration while retaining vibrant structure. A portion is sourced from slightly warmer, high elevation sites adding weight to the midpalate.

### TASTING NOTES

A perennial wine of our portfolio, this Cabernet Sauvignon consistently garners high praise from critics. The naturally cool climate of our Rhinefarm vineyards creates ideal conditions for the slow ripening of fruit, which translates into a wine that has complexity and depth of flavor. Plush notes of blackberry, boysenberry and black plum deliver a silky texture. This wine can be aged for another 10 years, but it's so delicious, we dare you to wait that long!

#### COMPOSITION

91% Cabernet Sauvignon  
4% Petit Verdot  
3% Merlot  
1% Cabernet Franc  
1% Petite Sirah

#### ALC/PH/ACID

Alc: 14.5%  
pH: 3.87  
TA: 5.5 g/L

#### WINEMAKING

Hand-harvested in the cool morning  
Twice daily pump-overs  
Indigenous malolactic fermentation  
and weekly battonage

#### COOPERAGE

18 months  
100% French, 45% new

#### PRODUCTION

4,218 cases

#### PRICE

\$55.00