



## **2018 PARCHED. NAPA VALLEY RED WINE**

### **WINEMAKER NOTES**

The 2018 parched. Red Wine is a blend consisting of 53% Cabernet Sauvignon 25% Petite Sirah, 12% Merlot, 7% Cabernet Franc, 2% Malbec, and 1% Petit Verdot. The fruit for this wine is sourced throughout the Napa Valley with a good mix of mountain fruit along with valley floor fruit. The wine exhibits a dark, inky red color, with a richness on the mid-palate, reminiscent of luscious, dark fruit. Layered well with spice and toasty oak, this medium to full bodied wine will be quite pleasant from the start but will reward short term cellaring.

### **HARVEST NOTES**

The 2018 growing season began with a relatively dry spring and just a bit below normal rainfall over the winter. Budbreak was on time, leading to flowering in late May. The summer didn't see too many heat spikes, but we were treated to cooler than normal mornings, which slowed down the maturation process with the first fruit picked in mid-September. With cooler than normal nights in October, the final pick occurred on October 24<sup>th</sup>.



**Harvest date:** September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 – October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018

- Appellation: Napa Valley
- Brix at harvest: 24.8 – 26.1
- Crush: De-stemmed, 100% whole berry
- Fermentation: 14-day ferment
- Aging: 20 months, with 50% new French oak, 50% once used
- Alcohol: 14.5%
- pH: 3.71
- TA: 5.70 g/L
- Bottled: July 2020
- Case production: 380 cases
- Winemaker: Thomas Bougetz
- Suggested retail: \$49



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