

APPELLATION: Napa Valley

COMPOSITION:

100% Cabernet Sauvignon,

AGING: 19 months, 30% new

(100% French oak)

ALCOHOL: 14.37%

T.A.: 0.56 g / 100ml

PH: 3.75

HARVEST DATE:

October 8th–29th, 2018

RELEASE DATE: March 2021

CASES: 43,000 (12-pack cases)

With more than 40 years of winemaking heritage in California's most fabled wine region, Napa Cellars embodies the classic, unmistakable style of Napa Valley. Veteran winemaker Joe Shirley crafts our wines from estate vineyards and coveted partner sites throughout Napa's most revered sub-appellations. Meticulous care in the vineyard, coupled with gentle winemaking techniques, ensures our wines reflect the quality and richness of Napa Valley's terroir.

VINEYARD

The fruit for our 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon was carefully selected from prime vineyards in some of Napa Valley's best regions, including Atlas Peak, St. Helena, Oak Knoll and Rutherford. Winemaker Joe Shirley's commitment to sourcing fruit from the best regions in Napa ensures a classic wine that showcases the essence of a quintessential Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon.

CLONAL SELECTION

Classic clones (7, 8, 4, 15) Newer clones (337, 169, 412)

HARVEST

The 2018 growing season offered superlative growing conditions with abundant rain at the beginning of the year. Plenty of sunshine and moderate temperatures throughout the spring and summer led up to a harvest with great crop quality.

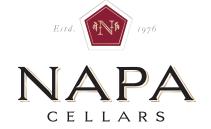
WINEMAKING

The grapes were hand-harvested in the cool morning hours to ensure optimal flavor. At the winery, the fruit was hand-sorted, gently de-stemmed and lightly crushed. Following a maceration period to maximize color and flavor extraction and to also polish the tannins, the wine was aged in 100% French oak barrels (30% new) for 19 months.

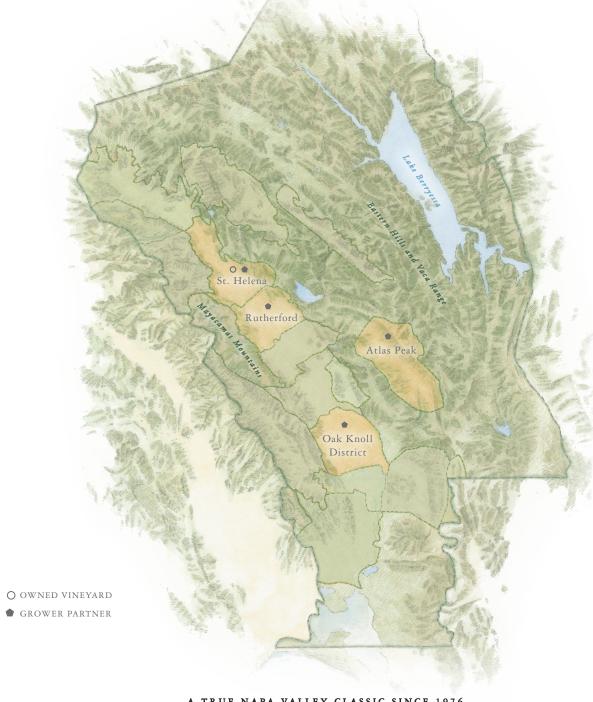
WINEMAKER NOTES

Our 2018 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon brims with black currant, violets, plum and black cherries with threads of honey, pipe tobacco, cedar, cloves and vanilla. This wine's lush core of bright blackberry, toffee, dark cherry, cocoa, hazelnut and caramel complement its luscious full body. The finish is polished with well-rounded, fine-grained tannins and fresh, balanced acidity making this Cabernet the perfect pairing for port-braised beef short ribs topped with mint leaves.

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VINEYARD SOURCING CABERNET SAUVIGNON | v.2018



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