

PRIEST RANCH

# 2019 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

## APPELLATION & VINEYARDS

The historic Priest Ranch is now part of Somerston Estate, a significant property totaling 1,682 acres with 244 acres of hillside vineyards. The wines of Priest Ranch are sourced from multiple blocks, showcasing the diversity and complexity of the combined property. Our 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon came from 24 unique vineyard blocks, planted at elevations from 850 to 1650 ft asl.

## WINEMAKING

Priest Ranch Cabernet Sauvignon was aged 23 months in 50% new French oak and 50% once used French oak barrels. The lees were stirred for the first year followed by three racking in the second year of aging. The wine was bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.

## HARVEST NOTES

The beginning of the 2019 growing season was defined by copious rainfall and late soil moisture followed by a warm summer. We saw very few extreme heat events, with foggy mornings setting

the stage for vibrant and expressive wines. The long, relatively mild finish to the season, helped to preserve freshness and finesse in the fruit with sufficient hang time teasing out a great color, structure, and soft tannins.

## TASTING NOTES

The 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon is a beautiful, full-bodied Napa Valley wine. On the nose, this wine has hints of cherry cola, vanilla, and dark fruit. The finish is a rounded mouthfeel that is persistent in the long and lingering opulent finish.

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APPELLATION *Napa Valley*

VARIETAL *100% Cabernet Sauvignon*

AGING *50% new French oak, 50% once filled French oak*

ALC. *14.9%*

RELEASE DATE *October 1, 2021*

PRODUCTION *9,146 cases*

