# 2019 PEACEMAKER

### APPELLATION & VINEYARDS

The historic Priest Ranch is now part of the Somerston Estate, a significant property totaling 1,642 acres, with 222 acres planted to hillside vineyards. Dramatic elevations of the vineyards define and distinguish the estate, ranging from 800 ft to 1,600 ft above sea level.

## WINEMAKING

The 2019 Peacemaker is a red blend that was aged 26 months in 75% new French oak and 25% once used French oak. The lees were stirred for the first year followed by three racking in the second year of aging. The wine was bottled unfined 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 Peacemaker opens with a youthful and aromatic nose of chocolate-covered cherries, raspberries, anise, and tobacco spice. Continuing to the palate, there are robust and complex notes of blackberry cobbler, dark plum, and a touch of toasted vanilla. The finish is silky but concludes with a note of black currants.

APPELLATION Napa Valley

VARIETAL Cabernet Sauvignon & Merlot

AGING 26 months in 75% new French Oak, and 25% once used French oak barrels

ALC. 15.5%

RELEASE DATE February 1, 2023

PRODUCTION 442 cases

