



TECHNICAL NOTES

APPELLATION: Napa Valley

VARIETALS: 91% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Petit Verdot, 1% Malbec, 1% Merlot

ALCOHOL: 14.5% by vol.

PH: 3.71

TA: 6.5 g/L

AGING: 19 months in 31% new French oak

NAPA VALLEY

Raymond

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

NAPA VALLEY RESERVE

2020

2020 VINTAGE

2020 kicked off with ideal growing conditions. Mild temperatures led to evenly developed clusters and an early budbreak was followed by a warm to hot summer. Low winter rains resulted in smaller berries with concentrated flavors. Harvest started in early August and all things pointed to normal yields and exceptional fruit quality.

CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

Grapes were harvested from vineyards across Napa Valley including those planted in our Rutherford and St. Helena estates as well as valley floor and hillside AVAs. Picked in the early morning hours to maintain freshness between September 11 and October 5, the grapes went through extended maceration. The wine was aged for 19 months in 31% new French oak barrels, including Ermitage, Demptos and Seguin Moreau, before being bottled unfiltered.

WINE PROFILE

Aromas of blackberry, leather and red fruit leap from the glass. Flavors of cassis, blackberry, dried cherry, and dark ripe plums appear with notes of black licorice and a hint of fresh roasted coffee bean on the palate. Supple tannins extend and highlight this full-bodied wine with nuances of caramel on the long finish.

92 points

WINE ENTHUSIAST
2019 VINTAGE

92 points

VINOUS
2018 VINTAGE

92 points

WINE ADVOCATE
2017 VINTAGE

91 points

WINE ADVOCATE
2016 VINTAGE

91 points

WINE ADVOCATE
2015 VINTAGE