



## TECHNICAL NOTES

**Alcohol:** 14.5%

**pH:** 3.56

**TA:** 5.8 g/L

# R COLLECTION FIELD BLEND 2018

## IN THE VINEYARD

2018 was a near picture-perfect growing season that began in late February followed by a mild Spring yielding uniform grape clusters. Temperatures remained moderate to cool throughout the season with 2018 being considered one of the coolest vintages of the past decade. The cooler temperatures allowed for a longer hangtime resulting in an even and temperate harvest.

## CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

The R Collection Field Blend harkens back to the early days in California viticulture when vineyards had several different varietals planted together, and an entire vineyard would be harvested and vinified together, often producing remarkably unique wines from multiple varietals.

Our winemaking team has revived this tradition of blending multiple varietals together to produce a standout wine. The 2018 R Collection Field Blend elegantly brings together five core varietals: Cabernet Sauvignon, Zinfandel, Petite Sirah, Petite Verdot and Merlot for a wine that is layered and complex.

## WINE PROFILE

Our 2018 R Collection Field Blend is a complement to any occasion, whether a casual dinner at home or a more formal gathering with friends and family. This lively wine opens with bright fruit aromas of raspberry, blackberry and cherry complimented by a hint of licorice. This medium-bodied wine features flavors of strawberry and blueberry with a well-balanced and long, satisfying finish.