FOUNDER'S TRADE 18 RANCH 75 MARK

NAPA VALLEY CALIFORNIA



№ 2018 VINTAGE

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THE VINTAGE

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.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The grapes were harvested from vineyards mostly found on the valley floor across Napa. Picked in the early morning hours to maintain freshness, the grapes went through extended maceration and the wine was aged for 18 months in 20% new French oak before being bottled.

TASTING NOTES

A beautiful ruby red color in the glass, this Red Wine opens with bright red fruit aromas of cherry and strawberry with a note of cardamom. Juicy flavors of raspberry continue through to the nicely textured palate with good tannin structure. The finish is long and savory and quite pleasant.

FOUNDERS 18 RANCH 75 and NAPA VALLEY CALIFORNIA Red Wine

TECHNICAL NOTES

VARIETALS: 66% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Cabernet Franc, 8% Merlot, 5% Petit Verdot, 3% Syrah, 3% Petite Sirah, 2% Zinfandel, 1% Malbec

> APPELLATION: Napa Valley

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

pH: 3.64

TA: 6.12 g/L

Aging: 20% new French oak

Months in Barrel: 18