



WINE:

2019 FIREBELLE

CLASSIFICATION:

LARKMEAD VINEYARDS

PRODUCTION:

854 CASES

VARIETAL COMPOSITION:

57% CABERNET SAUVIGNON
43% MERLOT

SOIL PROFILE:

PLEASANTON LOAM (CLAY)

ALCOHOL:

14.3%

FRENCH OAK AGING:

18 MONTHS, 67% NEW
TONNELLERIE BOSSUET

TASTING NOTES

The perfume of rose petals, red fruit, cranberries, and cinnamon jump out of the glass in this beautifully aromatic wine. The bright warm spices are balanced by earthier notes of pine forest, cedar, and tobacco.

The Firebelle, like its namesake Lillie “Firebelle Lil” Hitchcock, is both incredibly powerful and expressive yet pleasingly feminine and elegant on the approach. On the palate, the wine lifts and coats all of the corners of your mouth with incredibly supple tannins that make the wine linger long after it is gone.

DRINKING WINDOW

This wine is incredibly fragrant, a signature of the warm yet moderate growing season. The winter rains replenished our vines and allowed the Merlot to stride through the growing season without missing a step. This vintage is a great year for Merlot in general, offering gorgeous aromatic complexity and elegance.

The 2019 Firebelle is ready to drink now but would be best from 2025-2035. If enjoying now, please decant for one hour upon opening.

DRINK NOW AND FOR
THE NEXT 5-10+ YEARS