

LINKED

Vineyards

2019 KNIGHTS VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

*We love our wine!
We love our friends that drink
our wine!*

*We really love writing our
tasting notes with those
friends, while drinking our
wine, having consumed a few
rum cocktails prior!!!*

This is what happens...



Wine

Winemaker:	Luc Morlet
Harvested:	October 23rd by hand in small lugs at 26.4° brix
Composition:	100% Estate Cabernet Sauvignon
Fermentation:	Native yeast in small tanks and puncheons
Aged:	16 months in French oak from artisan coopers
Bottled:	July 2nd, 2021, Unfiltered and Unfined
Alcohol:	14.7%
Production:	160 cases

Vineyard

Planted:	2000, Clone 337 on 110R Rootstock
Elevation:	1,050-1,250 feet,
Exposure:	Western Facing, 30-50% Slopes
Soil:	Rocky Volcanic, Rhyolitic, Laniger Loam
Appellation:	Knights Valley, Sonoma County



The skies clouded, and then opened, in winter of 2019, gifting us with copious amounts of water before the vines started to grow, and then even a bit more after they were on their way. By the time the vines were flowering though, the sun was shining and we were getting the beautiful temperatures that make this area such a fantastic place to grow wine grapes! Cool foggy mornings and warm days carved a path for slow phenolic maturation, allowing abundant hang time for the fruit, creating this amazing wine!

The 2019 Linked Vineyards Cabernet is more intellectual than overtly sexy. It has our signature deep, dark and vibrant color. The aromas start softly and blossom into ripe fruit (raspberry, huckleberry and dewberry) and the earthy goodness of a roasted Hamakua mushroom, with faint floral hints of Plumeria. Flavors are mixed, subtle and even somewhat mystifying. The wine carries notes of bright bramble fruit, dark chocolate, candied orange peel, Kona coffee and caramelized molasses. Traces of Mr. Roarke's soft Corinthian leather add depth and complexity. It is a wine with big, squishy (OK... let's go huggable) tannins that will drink well for quite some time to come!