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2018 KNIGHTS VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Sometimes, our incredibly small team has to run, and sometimes, we get a more leisurely pace. Mother Nature allowed us to saunter through the 2018 vintage rather than race. A near picture-perfect growing season rolled from March right through to October, with no frost or extreme heat, and just enough of a fall rain to knock the dust off of the grapes before harvest. All of this easy living allowed the fruit almost two months, from veraison to harvest, to develop flavor and complexity. The slow and steady vibe set the stage for a wine of energy, expression and life that only Drew, Jessica and Luc (along with Mother Nature and our vineyard) could create.

Rich, deep and polished, the 2018 is loaded with the special characters of our vineyard. A whole range of black fruit and spices build as this sumptuous Cabernet shows off its nuanced personality. Intriguing aromas of fresh and preserved berries and black currants mingle with softer notes of sweet tobacco and cedar. Velvety texture and a restrained oak framework support the opulent flavors of blackberry, Luxardo cherry, cassis and a hint of smoked meats. It is remarkably full-bodied and explosive yet shows finesse and refinement. Enjoy now and over its decades long evolution.



Wine

Winemaker:	Luc Morlet
Harvested:	October 23rd by hand in small lugs at 25.8° 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 7th, 2020, Unfiltered and Unfined
Alcohol:	15.1%
Production:	176 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