



2018 Mountainside CABERNET SAUVIGNON

TASTING NOTES

With a rich ruby color, this full-bodied wine opens with aromas of cigarbox, Bing cherries, cranberry sauce, saddle leather, and bay leaves. On the palate, we find flavors of Luxardo cherries, Campari, Valrhona chocolate, pomegranates, and apple tartlets, with robust tannins and hints of freshly turned earth and crushed rocks on the long and persistent finish.

18 months in 100% French Oak

81.9% Cabernet Sauvignon; 6.4% Petit Verdot

6.1% Zinfandel; 5.6% Merlot

14% ABV

1500 cases produced

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Dubbed a "Winemaker's Dream Vintage" the 2018 growing season in Napa saw cooler than average temperatures throughout spring/summer. With saturated grounds from winter rains, vines coming out of dormancy had plenty of water supply for healthy bud-breaks, which with the exception of a slightly delayed Sauvignon Blanc, occurred on time in late March/early April. Temperatures in May through August continued to be cooler than usual. This and the absence of any heat events during berry formation, coupled with the larger cluster sizes resulted in yields above average and the vintage will be remembered as a bumper crop.