

PEAK ATTELAS VINEYARD



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## 2018 PEAK CABERNET SAUVIGNON ATTELAS VINEYARD, NAPA VALLEY ESTATE GROWN

88% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Merlot and 4% Malbec 93 cases produced

With every vintage of our PEAK wines, our goal is to craft consummate expressions of our organically farmed estate vineyards on the high-mountain slopes of Napa Valley's acclaimed Atlas Peak. To preserve the complexity of our vineyards, and ensure that we have numerous lots to choose from during blending, we individually ferment each block and varietal. Then after extensive sensory analysis, we select our very finest blocks and barrels of wine to craft our PEAK Attelas Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon.

ATTELAS VINEYARD - Located in Napa Valley's famed eastern mountains of Napa Valley, our Attelas Vineyard was first planted in 1992, and was the original 'home vineyard' of legendary winegrower Dr. Jan Krupp (predating his famed Stagecoach Vineyard by three years). Attelas is situated at approximately 1,300 feet, and features 32 acres of vines, planted in volcanic, clay and loam soils as a mosaic of 20 vineyard blocks—including eight blocks and six different clones of Cabernet Sauvignon. Attelas also includes plantings of Malbec, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Sauvignon Blanc, Zinfandel and Tempranillo. With a predominantly northwest exposure, Attelas is a cool site in a cooler appellation, making it ideal for our complex and structured style.

2018 VINTAGE - The 2018 growing season began with abundant winter rains that replenished the soils, followed by ideal temperate weather throughout spring and summer. With cooler-than-normal temperatures through September, and no significant heat events, the grapes were able to ripen gradually and develop perfect physiological ripeness, complex flavors and a favorable balance between sugar and natural acidity.

## NOTES FROM OUR WINEMAKER

This beautifully complex and luxurious wine begins with opulent aromas of cassis, ripe plum, anise and Luxardo cherry, as well as hints of cedar and sage. The saturated layers of ripe berry fruit continue on the lushly textured palate, where the flavors are underpinned by supple, fine-grained tannins that carry the wine to a rich, refined finish.

HARVEST DATES: October 4 to November 1, 2018 VINEYARD BLOCKS: AV 2, AV 6, AV 7, AV 16, AV 4/5A CLONES: Clones 8, 169 and 337 Cabernet Sauvignon, Clone 595 Malbec, Clone 6 Merlot % NEW FRENCH OAK: 80% BOTTLING DATE: July 2020 ALCOHOL: 14.5% WINEMAKER: Phillip Titus

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