

ACUMEN

Napa Valley

2018 PEAK CABERNET SAUVIGNON ATLAS PEAK, NAPA VALLEY ESTATE GROWN

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. Combining the energy and elegance of our Attelas Vineyard with the opulence and intensity of Edcora, our PEAK Cabernet Sauvignon brings together the most compelling and complementary blocks and barrels of wine from our two estate vineyards.



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.

WINEMAKER: Phillip Titus
COMPOSITION: 98% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% Malbec
BARREL AGING: 80% New French Oak
CLONES: Clones 4, 169 and 337 Cabernet Sauvignon,
Clone 595 Malbec
ALCOHOL: 14.5%
PRODUCTION: 93 cases produced

95
POINTS

Outstanding wines. These wines are outstanding for their type and are worth the extra effort to seek out.

"The 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon PEAK showed nicely, with beautiful blue fruits, scorched earth, licorice, and violet aromas and flavors. With medium to full-bodied richness, it stays tight and compact on the palate, with a fresh, Bordeaux-like style in its tannins and acidity." - Jeb Dunnuck, January 2021. JebDunnuck.com

94
POINTS

An outstanding wine of exceptional complexity and character.

"Deep garnet-purple colored, the 2018 Acumen PEAK Cabernet Sauvignon charges out of the gate with energetic scents of red and black currants, fresh blackberries, and boysenberries with suggestions of camphor, cardamom, tar, and new leather plus a waft of pencil shavings. Full-bodied, concentrated, and decadent in the mouth, the palate has a solid foundation of the firm, grainy tannins, and lively freshness to support, finishing long with a pleasantly surprising floral perfume coming through at the end." - Lisa Perrotti-Brown, November 2020. The Wine Advocate

92
POINTS

Highly recommended.

"A blend of the Attelas and Edcora sites, both of which are also bottled as vineyard-designates. Dark, bramble-driven aromas framed by oiled leather and coffee beans. Taught and angular on the palate with flavours of dried herbs, hard clay, and cedar. The finish is gritty, focused, and has good length." Matthew Luczy, November 2020. Decanter