

ACUMEN

Napa Valley

2018 PEAK • ATTELAS VINEYARD • SAUVIGNON BLANC • 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. Then, after extensive sensory analysis, we select our very finest blocks and barrels of wine to craft our PEAK wines.

ATTELAS VINEYARD - Located in the 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. 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, as well as 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 could ripen gradually and develop perfect physiological ripeness, complex flavors, and a favorable balance between sugar and natural acidity.

NOTES FROM OUR WINEMAKER – This powerful and impeccably structured mountain-grown Sauvignon Blanc displays beautiful aromas of ripe lemon, pineapple, and Kaffir lime, with sophisticated hints of basil leaf, fresh sage, and wet stone minerality. On the palate, it is lush and richly textured, with finely tuned acidity and mouth-filling flavors of citrus and spice, as well as hints of cardamom and clove from aging in 33% new French oak.

HARVEST DATES: September 16, 2018

VINEYARD BLOCKS: 15A and 15B

CLONES: 1 and 6

% NEW FRENCH OAK: $\frac{1}{3}$ new French oak,
 $\frac{1}{3}$ neutral, $\frac{1}{3}$ stainless steel

BOTTLING DATE: July 2019

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

WINEMAKER: Phillip Titus

