



Martin Ray

2018

CABERNET SAUVIGNON
Stags Leap District

THE WINE

Always the most accessible of our Napa Cabernets. Defined by its subtlety, this bottling offers bright red fruits, graceful mouthfeel, and soft, sinewy tannins.

SOURCING

Volcanic benchland vineyards on the west of the Vaca Range

VINEYARD NOTES

From a collection of tiny vineyard blocks encompassing several row orientations and slopes, all carefully planted to optimize sun exposure, in soil that is composed of ancient volcanic alluvial runoff.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

VINTAGE NOTES

From start to finish, 2018 was a very steady season, offering weather that was reminiscent of years prior to drought. Higher than average yields and excellent quality brought about a fruitful harvest beginning in late August.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Fermented in small 4-6 ton open top fermenters, with thrice daily pump overs for cap management. Upon finishing fermentation the wine is allowed to rest on its skins for up to a month. Aged in 45% new French oak for 18 months.

TASTING NOTES

Rich notes of ripe Bing cherry, boysenberry and layers of deep blue fruit. Chalky tannins with touches of cedar and fresh ground pepper offering a savory finish in contrast to the vibrant fruit and undercurrent of cherry blossom.

RELEASE DATE

November 2020



BRIX AT HARVEST: 23.5°

pH: 3.76

TOTAL ACIDITY: 5.4 g/L

ALCOHOL: 13.6%