

# SYNTHESIS

2018

CABERNET SAUVIGNON | NAPA VALLEY

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Our flagship Cabernet, Synthesis is blended to showcase the nuances of the Napa Valley floor counterbalanced by the structure and tertiary notes of the mountains. Always quintessential Napa, it truly depicts the breadth of the valley and distinctness of the vintage.

## SOURCING

25% Rutherford, 23% Oakville, 20% Howell Mountain, 17% Stags Leap District, 15% Diamond Mountain District

## VINEYARD

From the high elevations and volcanic soils of Diamond and Howell Mountain, to the alluvial soils and warmer weather of Oakville, Rutherford and Stags, this wine is the perfect marriage of the contrasting styles each vineyard offers.

## VARIETAL COMPOSITION

96% Cabernet, 3% Merlot, 1% Petit Verdot

## 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

Hand-picked barrel lots of our favorite vineyards. Fermented in small 5 ton open-top fermenters for two weeks with pump overs for cap management. Aged in 40% new French oak for 18 months.

## TASTING NOTES

Complex and polished with deep red fruit and powerful core of dusty earth. Tart cherry, elderberry with touches of savory herbs. Sweet cocoa dust and nutmeg with structured, supple tannins and a hint of vanilla.

## RELEASE DATE

September 2020



AVA	Napa Valley
BRIX AT HARVEST	24.2"-25.1"
pH	3.68
TOTAL ACIDITY	5.7 g/L
ALCOHOL	14.2%