



2018

CABERNET SAUVIGNON
RUTHERFORD, NAPA VALLEY

VINTAGE

The 2018 growing season was one of the mildest and smoothest in recent memory. Mild spring weather led to good fruit set in most varietals and moderate weather throughout the year made for ideal growing conditions. There were no major heat spikes, which gave us longer hang-time and great ripening on the vine. While a fairly long harvest, the 2018 crop delivered fruit with complex flavors and was of excellent quality.

VINEYARDS & WINEMAKING

The Foley Johnson 2018 Rutherford Cabernet Sauvignon comes from vineyards in the heart of Rutherford, 50% being from our own Estate that is comprised of thicker and heavier adobe soils with small amounts of gravel which are perfect for growing Cabernet Sauvignon. The ideal growing conditions in the vineyard allow our Bordeaux varietals to reach full maturity on the vine without taking on the green, leafy taste of under-ripe fruit. The grapes were all harvested between October and November 2018. The wine went through 100% malolactic fermentation and is unfiltered. After 18 months in 30% new French, American and Hungarian oak. The wine was bottled on April 13, 2020.

TASTING

Upon opening our 2018 Rutherford Cabernet Sauvignon, aromas of black cherry and cassis fill the glass, followed by a hint of mocha. On the palate, bold tannins are balanced with concentrated flavors of ripe fig with savory notes of black olive and dried herbs. Well structured and full bodied, our Cabernet Sauvignon is approachable now, but will age beautifully over the next 5-10 years.

STATISTICS

APPELLATION	Rutherford, Napa Valley	ALCOHOL	14.4%
COMPOSITION	75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 18% Merlot, 4% Cabernet Franc, 3% Petite Sirah	TA	5.3 g/L
AGING	18 months in 30% new French, American and Hungarian Oak	PH	3.75
PRODUCTION	10,036 Cases	BOTTLING DATE	April 13, 2020
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