



2019
HANDMADE
CABERNET FRANC - RUTHERFORD

VINTAGE

The 2019 vintage was truly remarkable. With Mother Nature's support, the growing season provided fantastic grape growing conditions. Early warm summer days allowed the grapes to acclimate and develop superior flavor profiles. A cooler fall with a few sporadic heat spikes helped achieve even ripening resulting in robust and full flavors.

VINEYARDS & WINEMAKING

In the heart of the Foley Johnson Rutherford Estate, our Cabernet Franc is farmed in the famous "Rutherford Dust" that yields small, yet intense clusters from well-balanced vines. 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 harvested between August 20 - October 20, 2019 under clear skies. The wine went through 100% malolactic fermentation and aged for 20 months in 50% new French oak before going into bottle on July 28, 2021.

TASTING

Our 2019 Handmade Cabernet Franc opens with savory aromas of tobacco and juniper, and while it sits, additional note of olive and pepper spice are present. The palate is thick and viscous with bright acidity and flavors of ripe raspberry and strawberry. Medium-firm tannins are present on the lingering, oak tinged finish.

STATISTICS

APPELLATION	Rutherford, Napa Valley	ALCOHOL	15.1%
VINEYARD	Foley Johnson Estate, Block 10	TA	5.9 g/L
COMPOSITION	100% Cabernet Franc	pH	3.55
AGING	20 months in French oak, 50% new	BOTTLING DATE	July 28, 2021
PRODUCTION	145 cases		