

# BORREO

## 2018 NAPA VALLEY SANGIOVESE

### WINEMAKING

#### VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Sangiovese

#### HARVEST DATES

October 1 and 17, 2018

#### BRIX AT HARVEST

Average 23.9°

#### MACERATION

Average 11 Days

#### BARREL AGING REGIMEN

13 months in 16% new French oak

Oak Barrel Profile: 60 gallon and 500L

Overall Oak Profile: 100% French

PH: 3.46 pH | TA: 5.75 g/L | RS: 0.05%

#### ALCOHOL

14.2% by volume

#### PRODUCTION

2,236 cases (9L)

#### WINEMAKERS

Jon Emmerich, Elena Franceschi

### HERITAGE

**BORREO RANCH (100%)** – In 1888, Italian immigrant and Napa grocer Felix Borreo built a stone and redwood winery on his vineyard property near Napa Soda Springs. Borreo planted new vines in addition to fruit and olive orchards. In 1992, the Miller family purchased the site, and the winery remained one of Napa's last 'ghost' wineries – until it was destroyed in the 2017 wildfires. These bottlings are the Miller family tribute to Felix Borreo and this fruitful property.

### SOILS + CLIMATE

The Sangiovese hails from the steep and cobbly soil of the Borreo Ranch Vineyard. The vineyard benefits from perfect western exposures to the late afternoon sun. Colder temperatures, due to the altitude and the canyon shading, make for longer growing seasons which produce bright cranberry and cherry flavors in our Sangiovese.

### VINTAGE

February saw abundant rains, followed by a relatively cool spring and early summer. Bud break occurred a bit late, but under ideal weather conditions, creating a plentiful and even fruit set. Summer brought generous sun and cooler marine influences, uninterrupted by major heat spikes. The mild summer was followed by moderate heat in the fall, which allowed fruit to accumulate flavor complexity with gradual increases in sugar levels.

### TASTING NOTES

Pronounced aromas of pomegranate, blackberry, cherry, raspberry and toasty vanilla with subtle layers of dried herbs and savory tomato leaf. Medium-bodied with spicy herbs, lush fruit and a tanginess on the palate. Great energy and balanced tannins provide a long finish with persistent fruit flavor.

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