

CHATEAU ST JEAN

2018 RESERVE SYRAH

SONOMA COUNTY

Our roots are in Sonoma County. We have made wines from the region's diverse vineyards for over 50 years, starting in 1973. A fine wine estate with European style, we are proud to produce balanced and elegant wines, a hallmark of Chateau St. Jean. Our single-vineyard and blend expressions celebrate Sonoma County's distinctive, world-class growing region, and the special vineyard sites in which our grapes are grown.

VINEYARDS

Our long history in Sonoma County is reflected here, with each vintage allowing for a blend which is both a tribute to the vintage and the varied growing regions within Sonoma County. Exceptional Reserve lots that showcase the terroir of each region are carefully selected, aged separately and then assembled into a master blend allowed to rest and gain complexity prior to bottling.

VINTAGE

A near perfect season, welcomed after several tense vintages, began with abundant February rains followed by drying sun and weather that allowed for even flowering and bud break. The slightly later start was followed by consistently ideal weather, with harvest later in September, resulting in fruit with great flavor and complexity.

TASTING NOTES

The 2018 Reserve Syrah opens with sultry aromas of Herbs de Provence and black plum, with hints of black olive, earth, and leather. The palate is bold and generous with a dark, solid-fruit core, generous mid-palate, and layers of earth and spice lingering on the finish. This wine pairs excellently with sausage pizzetta, smoked BBQ brisket, and chocolate brownies.

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APPELLATION	Sonoma County
VARIETAL	100% Syrah
OAK	100% French oak, 35% new
AGING	18 months
ALCOHOL	14.9%
T.A.	6.13 g/L
PH	3.59

