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2019 Courtney's Cuvée Alexander Valley

The Foley Sonoma Winemaker Series includes wines hand crafted and selected by our winemaker. Each wine in the series embodies a distinct representation of terroir which is illustrated by the hand painted watercolors depicted on our label. This Cuvée comes from our estate vineyards on the Foley Sonoma property. The watercolor artwork on our label illustrates the special sense of place of this Alexander Valley vineyard.

Vineyards & Winemaking

The labels on our Winemaker Series illustrate and honor each vineyard. Fruit for our 2019 Courtney's Cuvée came from our estate vineyards in Alexander Valley. These vineyards lie at the valley floor, planted on predominately clay soils. Our Grenache, comprising most of the blend, is oriented east west and enjoys wonderful, unencumbered sunshine throughout the growing season. Our famed Syrah and Mourvèdre mixed with a splash of our elegant Zinfandel make up the final blend. Each barrel for this blend was hand selected based on aromatics, varietal intensity and balance.

Winemaker's Notes

A selection of Courtney Foley's favorite barrels of four varietal lots, the Courtney's Cuvée is an excellent expression of our estate vineyards. Lush dark fruit, caramel, and mocha fill the nose on the first pour. Silky tannins and elegant acidity balance out the robust qualities of this wine and create a long lingering finish. This wine is drinking well now but could be set aside for up to 5-7 years to further round out the young tannins.

Technical Data

Appellation: Alexander Valley

Composition: 67% Grenache, 15% Syrah, 15% Mourvèdre, 3% Zinfandel

Aging: 18 months in French oak (30% new)

pH: 3.75 | Alcohol: 14.5%

Production: 125 cases