



# CHALK HILL

## 2019 MALBEC RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

OUR 2019 MALBEC CAME FROM TWO BLOCKS AT OUR 56-ACRE ESTATE WEST VINEYARD LOCATED ON A CONTIGUOUS PIECE OF PROPERTY JUST ACROSS CHALK HILL ROAD FROM THE WINERY. THESE WEST-FACING SITES FEATURE CLAY, ROCK AND LOAM SOILS THAT ARE PERFECT FOR MALBEC.

Decadent aromas of violet, black raspberry, dried herbs and leather lead to a dense and complex palate. Flavors mimic the enticing aromas, adding black tea, mixed berries, black pepper and vanilla bean.

### HARVEST

*Harvest Dates:* OCTOBER 17 & OCTOBER 22, 2019

*Average Yields:* 2.84 TONS / ACRE

*Average Brix at Harvest:* 25.2°

### FERMENTATION / BARREL

CULTURED YEAST FERMENTATION IN BARREL

100% MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION WITH BÂTONNAGE

*Cooperage:* 100% FRENCH OAK, 80% NEW

*Barrel Aging:* 18 MONTHS

### WINE

*Blend:* 100% MALBEC

*Bottling date:* JUNE 23, 2020

UNFINED & UNFILTERED

*pH:* 3.88    *TA:* 5.85 G/L    *Alcohol:* 15.6%