

2018 CABERNET SAUVIGNON NAPA VALLEY

VINEYARD: Estate Grown at our Mountain & Rutherford Estates

VARIETAL: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

ALCOHOL: 13.5%

MATURATION: 18 months in 50% new French oak. 50% neutral French oak.

CASE PRODUCTION: 4366

FOOD AFFINITIES: LMR Grass-fed beef, braised lamb shanks,

or roasted game

WINEMAKER TASTING NOTES:

"A blend of the best that Napa Valley mountain and valley floor estate Cabernet Sauvignon vineyards can offer, the 2018 invites with a nose of fresh cherry, blackberry, raspberry leaf, and a hint of bourbon vanilla. More savory but light notes of graphite, anise, and nutmeg are found on the palate bright with mountain fruit acidity and velvety long smooth tannins."

- Justin Carr

GROWING SEASON:

The growing season was marked by a wet spring, resulting in extended flowering in some areas throughout the valley. The early summer was cool and mild allowing gradual ripening and acid development. Winemakers had to wait, watch and let berry chemistry and flavors come into balance before starting a relatively late harvest.

LONG MEADOW RANCH:

Owned by Ted, Laddie, and Christopher Hall, LMR employs an integrated, organic farming system, using simple, sustainable methods. Each part of the Ranch contributes to the health of the whole. Vineyards and wine making, olive orchards and olive oil making, cattle and horse breeding all work together in complementary fashion, as do the egg-laying poultry flock and the organic vegetable gardens. All crops are certified organic by California Certified Organic Farmers (CCOF) and are grown without the use of herbicides, pesticides, or chemical fertilizers.