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2018 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

NAPA VALLEY, CA

93 points - James Suckling

The inky hues are immediately telling of the powerful Cabernet in the glass. Softened by a small addition of Merlot and Petit Verdot, this wine is immediately gratifying and enjoyable. The effusive nose shows aromas of powdery white flower, black cherry, cassis, flower stems, bittersweet chocolate, and crushed stones. On the palate, the silky entry opens to a plush, round, polished mid-palate and an effortlessly long finish. The back palate is fine-grained with exquisitely balanced alcohol-to-fruit weight and closes with subtle, cleansing acidity.

Vintage Notes: Cooler, even season without much in the way of heat spikes or cold snaps. Canopies were healthy, full, and crop set was balanced. An easy growing vintage that made really beautiful wines of terrific balance, intensity, and texture. Readily accessible upon release but will also age well.

VARIETY	82.5% Cabernet Sauvignon, 16% Merlot, 1.5% Petit Verdot	OAK	Aged 21 months in French Oak, 70% new oak
VINTAGE	2018	ABV	14.7%
REGION	Napa Valley	HARVESTED	By hand, 3am October, 2018
VINEYARD	Stage Coach Vineyard, Red Hen Vineyard, Wappo Vineyard	SERVING TEMP	60-63° F
CASES PRODUCED	1,200	WINEMAKER	Helen Keplinger