



B SIDE

2018 NORTH COAST CABERNET SAUVIGNON

TASTING NOTES

The B Side Cabernet Sauvignon is a deeply concentrated and expressive wine. Aromas of boysenberry, blackberry, currants, Kalamata olive, and dried lavender are pronounced on the nose. This is a full-bodied wine with juicy layers of dark fruit, jam, baked pie, and hints of cinnamon flavor. The brooding fruit is quintessential Napa and Sonoma and with ripe, powdery tannins the wine is soft and easy to enjoy in its youth. The wine is aged for 12 months in predominately French oak barrels (Francois Frere & Radoux) with a small portion seeing time in American Oak. The toasty French oak frames the wine and the addition of a small amount of American oak gives a pleasing, sweet coconut lift. This overall wine is deep, well-structured, and intensely flavored with soft tannins and a lengthy finish.

APPELLATION

The Cabernet Sauvignon fruit for this wine is grown in some of the finest regions within the diverse North Coast appellation. For the vintage 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon, nearly 50% of the blend is from Napa Valley, with the majority from the idyllic Pope Valley and Oak Knoll regions. These areas, with their diverse soils and higher elevations, produce Cabernet Sauvignon fruit with distinctive flavors and big, round tannins. The red colored soil has a high iron content which adds unique attributes to the grapes. As the old adage goes 'red dirt is for red grapes.' We also tapped the TZ Estate in Suisun for this blend. This vineyard is within a mile of the Napa County line and sees bright sunshine days and cool evenings – the perfect combination for growing Cabernet Sauvignon. In addition, we have stretched our hand to several other iconic North Coast regions to bring beautifully distinctive and high-quality fruit to our final blend. For this 2018 bottling, we sourced fruit from Mendocino, Lake, Lodi, and Sonoma counties to ensure we have the best fruit to craft a fine Cabernet Sauvignon.

VINTAGE

The North Coast region enjoyed a beautiful growing season with mild temperatures and easy conditions from bud break to harvest. The harvest yields are what was expected and the high-quality and dense flavor development is excellent for vintage 2018 wines.

OUR PHILOSOPHY

Our roots trace back to an authentic place. B Side wines are rare, unconventional and often lesser known. We follow a rhythm no one else can hear separating our wines from others with smooth, soulful palettes and perfectly tuned notes. B Side is a complex wine, made simply. For those who know the difference.

SPECIFICATIONS

COMPOSITION

84% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Petite Sirah,
5% Merlot, 3% Cabernet Franc

APPELLATION

100% NORTH COAST

VINTAGE 2018

Alc. 14.5%

pH 3.61

TA 6.3 g/L

AGING

90% French (Francois Frere & Radoux) barrels,
10% American barrels -30% new; Aged 12
months prior to final blending and bottling

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