



CROWN POINT



## *Cabernet Sauvignon* 2018

The 2018 vintage began with a temperate winter and mild spring, resulting in a bud break that was in line with the seasonal average. However, June and July were warmer than usual, with temperatures consistently in the 80s and 90s, respectively. This led to an early water deficit in the vineyard, which in turn reduced the size of the berries. With only six days above 100°, this limited exposure to higher temperatures allowed the fruit to ripen void of heatwaves, resulting in a classic vintage with perfect flavor accumulation and tannin ripeness. Overall, the growing season was reminiscent of our fantastic 2016 vintage.

The wine offers profuse aromas of blackberry, cassis, and dark plum. Elegant notes of violets, white pepper, and rose petals follow, and together they deliver a very seductive bouquet. The seamlessly layered flavors build to a crescendo of fresh and juicy black fruit, accented with hints of orange zest, licorice, and dark chocolate. Beautifully balanced, the smooth round tannins and acidity deliver a long persistent finish.

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*The 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon showed beautifully. This is straight-up gorgeous juice that can be enjoyed today or any time over the coming two decades or more.*

**JEB DUNNUCK**

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*Lovely aromas of black cherry cordial surrounded by chocolate sauce and oak make for a juicy, yet smoky, entry to the nose of this bottling. There are a lot of tactile touch points on the chalky palate, where generous flavors of milk chocolate, cherry sorbet and toasted coconut are held together by a taut structure.*

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