

2019 ESTATE SELECTION HAPPY CANYON of SANTA BARBARA AVA

Technical Notes

100% Estate Grown & Bottled 40% Cabernet Sauvignon | 40% Cabernet Franc 10% Merlot | 5% Malbec | 5% Petit Verdot Harvest date: September 9 - October 30, 2019

— Vintage & Vinification Notes —

2019 was a fascinating vintage at Crown Point, where we experienced a mild, wet winter with delayed flowering and harvest. A warmer summer followed with eleven days above 100 degrees from through September, June and ripening accelerated, providing an attractive sweetness to the wine. October offered a respite for the vines and extended hangtime with temperatures consistently in the 80s. While the summer heatwave marks the vintage, the cooler weather allowed the vines to recover and gracefully adapt.

— Winemaker Tasting Notes

A reflection of site, the blend's personality transcends the five Bordeaux varieties and offers an intimate expression of our terroir. We pick each block separately and ferment in four-ton French oak and concrete fermenters. With a 30-day fermentation average, we drain and raise the wine to barrels for 22 months - 50% new and 50% once used. The wine emanates blueberry and black currant notes in concert with savory herbal tones. This vintage offers a powerful structure that is beautifully juxtaposed with a smooth texture. Ultimately, it is an incredible wine to enjoy now and will age gracefully for decades.