
CERVANTES

2018 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, NAPA VALLEY

TASTING NOTES

The 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon from the Cervantes estate vineyard in the eastern reaches of Napa Valley captures the best qualities of this special vintage—dark, intensely colored, highly aromatic, silky and long. With each vintage, we are unlocking more of the character of our land. This place has a story to tell, and 2018 is a year where the details and intricacies are fully revealed. The color is black-purple, with a brilliance around the edges that hints at brightness and nuance. The aromas are incredibly expressive, with notes of chocolate, sandalwood, and campfire mingling with fresh fruit notes of black currant and huckleberry. The texture of the wine is broad and expansive, with plenty of tannin to help the wine age, but with a polish and focus that make the wine immediately enjoyable. All of the elements are there, and will certainly evolve in the bottle over many years, even decades.

TECHNICAL DATA

VINTNERS	Xavier Cervantes
WINEMAKER	Andy Erickson
VARIETAL	95% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Cabernet Franc
APPELLATION	Napa Valley
PRODUCTION	493 Cases
ALCOHOL	14.8%



BACKGROUND

It has been called Napa Valley's last frontier. Just over the peak of Howell Mountain, alongside Pritchard Hill, is a place less-traveled yet full of promise. Here, the adventurous Cervantes family pairs with a renowned team, including winemaker Andy Erickson of Screaming Eagle Fame. This amazing 1,100 acre ranch marks the highest profile project for Andy Erickson and Xavier Cervantes where they are growing text book Napa Valley hill side wines.