



## 2018 SYRAH Cabernet Sauvignon

The Cabernet Sauvignon comes through on the nose with its pronounced fruit aromas of raspberry, red currants and savoury vanillas. On the palate the cracked pepper of the Syrah shines through along with notes of vanilla and cassis. Silky and elegant, this is a testament to the finesse seen across the 2018 vintage.

## VINTAGE

It was an overall cooler vintage with a delayed start due to cool and wet weather. The vineyard caught up by mid-summer, just in time for the smoke to roll in in August and delay things with the blocked sunlight. That said, we are incredibly pleased this was the only impact of the smoke on our vineyard. We intentionally left leaves on all the vines throughout the smoke risk period in case there were soot issues, but due to the fantastic air movement on our site no soot settled on the fruit. Thanks to a lovely fall with lots of sunlight and little rain, the fruit was beautifully ripened on schedule with harvest beginning in October and completed by November 5th.

## WINEMAKING

This wine was created from fruit harvested from Syrah and Cabernet Sauvignon vines planted two years after our initial planting in 2007. The varieties were harvested on Oct. 22, 2018, fermented separately, and aged in 30% new French oak barrels. The wine was blended prior to bottling. Unfiltered.

**BLEND** 77% SYRAH 23 % CABERNET SAUVIGNON

PRODUCTION 225 CASES

ALC % VOLUME 14.9%

PH 3.9 TA G/L 6.8 RS G/L 1.5

**CSPC** + 125185