

Family Vineyards  Three Generations

# RUTHERFORD Ranch

2018

RESERVE

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

NAPA VALLEY



**THE 2018 GROWING SEASON** was truly an exceptional year for ripening grapes. Winter started out with very little rainfall, which made growers worry that it may be another year of drought. When March arrived, however, it brought along the much-needed rainfall that helped fill the root zone, water table and some reservoirs. The vines came out of winter dormancy and began the season with ample water and abundant sunshine.

**OUR 2018 RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON** is from the world-renowned Rutherford appellation, which is home to our Abela and Franklin estate vineyards. Perfect climatic conditions and the region's deep, loamy, well-drained soils produce dark, intensely flavored Cabernet Sauvignon grapes. Our rich soil sets the foundation for an exquisite, cellar-ready wine that will evolve in character and quality for years to come.

**FOOD PAIRING:** This Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon is a beautiful complement to mushroom tapenade upon a garlic crostini, parmesan truffle risotto, or peppercorn crusted ribeye steak.

## WINE DESCRIPTION

**AROMAS & FLAVORS:** The 2018 Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon opens with aromas of dark chocolate, black cherry, and cassis layered upon notes of star anise and toasted vanilla. On the palate, this wine is bursting with vibrant notes of blackberries, fig, and black tea with subtle hints of sage and toasted oak. This bold and well-structured Cabernet Sauvignon exemplifies the classic Rutherford style with finely integrated tannins and a long lingering finish.



**BLEND:** 97% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3% Petite Sirah

**AGING:** 18 months in French and American oak barrels

**AGING POTENTIAL:** Drink now and through 2030

**TA/pH:** 0.59 (g/100mL)/3.80

**ALCOHOL:** 14.5%

Bottle Dimensions:	Six-Pack Dimensions:	Pallet Configuration:	UPC	SCC
Height: 11.78"	19 pounds	40" x 48"		
Width: 3.27"	Height: 12.0"	100 Six-Packs Per Pallet	0 87712 10129 4	(01)00087712641295
	Length: 10.25"	25 Six-Packs Per Layer		
	Width: 7.0"	4 Layers Per Pallet		