



Patriarch Bob MacDonnell spent many summers as a child relaxing and camping at West Point's recreation area in New York. Named Round Pond, this source of idyllic youthful memories became the inspiration for our family's Napa Valley home and winery.

ACCOLADES

2018 VINTAGE: 96 PTS THE TASTING PANEL, 93-95+ PTS JEB DUNNUCK, 92 PTS WINE SPECTATOR
91 PTS VINOUS

2017 VINTAGE: 93 PTS THE TASTING PANEL, 91PTS WINE SPECTATOR

2016 VINTAGE: 92 PTS VINOUS, 90 PTS WINE SPECTATOR, 90 PTS WINE ADVOCATE

WINEMAKING NOTES

A true reflection of that signature Rutherford dust, this Cabernet Sauvignon embodies an old world meets new world style. Our Estate Cabernet Sauvignon is hand crafted from our Rutherford Estate and Oakville vineyards. Exhibiting rich characteristics of dark complex fruits, minerality and balanced intensity, the layers of this wine truly reflect our vineyards terroir.

TASTING NOTES

Our flagship Estate Cabernet Sauvignon bursts from the glass with alluring aromas of clean, bright fruit such as pomegranate and crushed raspberry. Creamy, rich, and generous, this wine shows essences of sweet spices and desert sage which marry well with hints of black peppercorn and cocoa. Lively with firm, chewy tannins, this wine follows through with rich black cherry, coffee and a pleasing granite-like finish reflecting the diverse flavors found on our Rutherford Estate and Oakville vineyards. This Cabernet Sauvignon is ready to be enjoyed now and will age gracefully over time.

VINTAGE & VITICULTURE

2018 vintage had a near-perfect growing season that began in late February. Spring was mild, with extended flowering yielding uniform grape clusters. Steady, warm temperatures made for a cool, unhurried harvest, and our healthy leaf canopies, allowed the fruit to hang longer and ripen very slowly on the vine. Harvest began with our Sauvignon Blanc in late August wrapped the first week of November with our Cabernet Sauvignon. The extended time on the vine and the temperate weather gave a fantastic concentration of ripe flavor and density to the grapes along with high acidity in the wines, resulting in a vintage with natural balance and finesse.

WINEMAKER: John Wilson

CONSULTING WINEMAKER: Thomas Rivers Brown

VARIETALS: 90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Malbec, 2% Petit Verdot, 1% Cabernet Franc

AGING: 20 months in 65% new tight-grain French oak

RELEASE DATE: December 2020

SRP: \$75.00

HEALTH CONSIDERATIONS: Sustainably Farmed, Vegan Friendly, Gluten Free



2018 ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON