2019 ENDEAVOUR CABERNET SAUVIGNON
Dry Creek Valley

HISTORY

Located in the Lytton Springs district of Dry Creek Valley, our estate Endeavour Vineyard is the vision of the second generation to grow and produce Cabernet Sauvignon that equals the finest of any in California. Strategically planted to take advantage of each of the diverse soil conditions on the property, Endeavour Vineyard contains its own sustainable ecosystem, complete with a natural pond to collect rainwater. This vineyard is a labor of love and continues to drive our family winery forward in producing world-class wines.

GROWING SEASON

Overall, 2019 was a mild growing season with a later start to the summer. This seasonal shift led to a longer hang time, which allowed for even ripening and full berry development, while retaining natural acidity. Harvest started about one week later than average compared to the last handful of vintages, and the mild growing conditions led to a very long season — fruit was being harvested for nearly 70 days! This extended season allowed us to pick each vineyard block at an ideal level of ripeness to produce balanced, flavorful wines with complexity and nuance.

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

At first swirl, notes of black currant, blackberry and cranberry come forward, followed by deeper aromatics of clove and orange zest. Additional airing reveals nuances of cardamom and mocha. On the palate, elegant flavors of boysenberry and plum mingle with complex notes of cinnamon, toasty cedar and bay leaf. The refined tannins are well-integrated, providing a rich and luxurious mouthfeel with a long, lingering finish.

BLEND
93% Cabernet Sauvignon
7% Petit Verdot

FERMENTATION
10–19 days in fermenters at 82–88˚F; pumped over twice daily

BARREL AGING
20 months in French oak; 40% new oak

ALCOHOL | 14.5%

BRIX | Average 25.8

PH | 3.66

TA | 6.3 g/L

HARVEST DATES
October 4–15, 2019

VINE AGE | 20 years

SOILS
Gravelly loam on rolling hills

YIELDS
3–4 tons per acre