# PROFILE

COLLECTION

## 2019 PROFILE NAPA VALLEY RED WINE

BLEND COOPERAGE

• 99% Cabernet Sauvignon 80% new from the center

• 1% Cabernet Franc of France

APPELLATION ÉLEVAGE Napa Valley 23 months

VINEYARD ALCOHOL

Profile Estate Vineyard 14.8%

HARVEST DATES TA
September 27th 5.8 g/L

BRIX AT HARVEST PH Average 25° 3.98



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#### WINEMAKING

Profile is a true representation of our hillside estate vineyard in Conn Valley. Blended from the best lots produced across 25 sloped and rocky acres, it reflects each vintage's unique characteristics through the diversity of clonal selections, rootstocks, soils, elevation, orientation and microclimates on the property. Located east of St. Helena and overlooking the Napa Valley, the Profile Estate Vineyard lies on an eastern ridge at almost one thousand feet of elevation. Planted in 1997 by David Abreu, Michel Rolland and then winemaker Bob Levy, the vineyard is comprised of five different clones of Cabernet Sauvignon, along with two acres of Cabernet Franc and one acre of Petit Verdot. The steep slopes, rocky soils and volcanic ash bedrock make it a very challenging site to farm, yet this vineyard consistently delivers grapes that stand out for their plush fruit character, complexity and silky tannin.

The grapes were hand harvested at night in order to retain freshness and get the fruit in the cellar as cool as possible. The wine was vinified with classic Bordeaux techniques- wild yeast fermentation began after 5 days of cold soak and reached peak temperature of 90F. After 15-21 days of maceration, the wines were drained directly to barrel to complete spontaneous malolactic fermentation. We aged the wine for 23 months in 80% new French oak barrels. The wine was bottled without fining or filtration.

#### VINTAGE

In 2019, a warm but even growing season enabled the grapes to be picked at optimum ripeness. The beginning of the 2019 growing season was defined by copious rainfall and late soil moisture. The long, warm summer saw very few extreme heat events, with foggy mornings setting the stage for vibrant and expressive wines. The long, relatively mild finish to the season helped to preserve freshness and finesse in the fruit teasing out great color, structure and soft tannins. All in all, exceptional fruit with bright acidity and ample texture has resulted in an amazing vintage

#### SENSORY IMPRESSIONS

A blend of 99% Cabernet Sauvignon and 1% Cabernet Franc that reflects the best of the Profile Estate in a fantastic vintage. Powerful and rich with a refined balance, it delivers classic notes of currants, cassis, and cocoa, complemented with hints of minerality. The tannins are supple and beautifully integrated, and the finish is long and rewarding. A savory, seductive wine that will improve over the next 25+ years.