

2018 Fidélitas Estate Red Wine

This very first red blend that we've produced out of the Estate is a showcase of the quality that is now coming out of our newer 2015 plantings. This blend was built from the ground up, selecting some of our favorite clones of Cabernet—412, 169, and 6 in this blend—and other familiar varietals with the help of Dick Boushey, our vineyard manager since 2008 and brings with him 35+ years of grape growing experience. The large share of Petit Verdot brings some power to this blend and adds some wonderful green peppercorn spice to the aroma; we also get black currant and rose petals coming from the glass. The palate exhibits a similar silky tannin structure that we see from our Estate Cabernet with black cherry, chocolate, and a loooong finish. This is a very age-worthy wine, drink now through 2035.

BLEND

50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 25% Petit Verdot, 17% Merlot, 4% Malbec, 4% Cabernet Franc

VINEYARDS

100% Fidélitas Estate Vineyard

AGING

22 months

71% New French Oak, 17% New American Oak

WOOD FERMENTATION

25% 40HL Oak Tank, 25% 2T Open Top Oak Tank, 21% 500L Roller Barrels, 17% 500L Upright Barrels

ALCOHOL

14.5%

PRODUCTION

588 cases



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