2018 Quintessence Vineyard Malbec

Quintessence Malbec is one of our favorite wines to make—the berries are sweet and delicious, the fermentations smell amazing, the juice immediately turns an amazing dark purple color, the young barrel samples taste better than they should, and finished wine is extremely enjoyable even in its young age. Keeping with the *Quintessence* characteristics this Malbec is the biggest most concentrated Malbec in our lineup. On the aroma we get hints of some classic American oak aromas, vanilla bean, dill, and chocolate blended with loads of black fruit. On the palate it's definitely a fruitier style Malbec with only a hint of the classic white pepper spice, Bing cherry, blackberry, and plum—it has this *wild* berry characteristic to it that is wonderful, like something you wouldn't find at the farmer's market but something you'd have to find for yourself in the mountains. Drink now through 2030.

BLEND

100% Malbec

VINEYARDS

100% Quintessence Vineyard

AGING

22 months

58% New American Oak, 25% New French Oak

WOOD FERMENTATION

50% 500L Oak Uprights, 17% 500L Roller Barrels

ALCOHOL

15.7%

PRODUCTION

289 cases



faithful, loyal, true