



THE VINEYARD ♦ These grapes were grown inside the 1881 parcel of H.W. Crabb’s vineyard nestled in the greater Oakville AVA. The soils are gravelly Bale Clay Loam. It is 100% Clone 8 Cabernet on 110R rootstock. Pedigree is the word that comes to mind with this area of Oakville; the “First Growth” vineyard of Napa.

GROWING SEASON ♦ The 2018 growing season was long and mild. Yields were good, there were no heat waves, there wasn’t much rain, so the berries stayed small and concentrated. Quality ranks amongst the best of the past 20 years.

VINIFICATION ♦ Fruit was hand harvested October 25th and destemmed in a Pellanc Selectiv’ Process, allowing for whole berry fermentation. After a 6-day cold soak we added D254 yeast. We pressed the wine after an extended maceration. It completed native malolactic fermentation in French oak barrels over several months. Bottled unfinned and unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES ♦ This wine explodes from the glass with a mix of dark cherry pie, blueberry, and oak-aged blackberry syrup. The palate has mouthwatering cocoa, espresso, and floral notes, and a remarkably smooth finish.

Label by Dust Cloud Design

APPELLATION Napa Valley, Oakville AVA

MATURATION French Oak Barrels, 50% New

HARVEST DATE 10/25/2018 **BOTTLING DATE** 5/21/2020

AGING 19 months **ALCOHOL** 15.25% **pH** 3.54 **TA** 5.9 g/L **RS** 0.1 g/L

PRODUCTION 145 cases (750 mL) **SUGGESTED RETAIL** \$85

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