

# TEXTBOOK



NAPA VALLEY

## 2019 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

### HIGHLIGHTS

- A diverse array of renowned sites in Napa Valley deliver structure, balance, and purity.
- Classic Bordelaise winemaking: Individual lot winemaking, attention to balance through fermentation and aging. Employing small French Oak cooperage.

### VINTAGE

Vintage 2019 started with ample rain that supplied good soil moisture through the summer months. Cooler temperatures in September and October allowed for additional "hang-time" and explosive flavor development, yielding great color, balance, structure, and big, soft tannins.

### VINEYARDS

Twenty diverse lots create the complexity and balance in this year's blend. Working with top Napa Valley growers, we layer in wines from shallow volcanic soils and deeper alluvial soils on the valley floor. Each vineyard contributes nuance, complexity, and intense black fruit flavors that finish in a seamless, well-balanced manner. During the 2019 growing season, vineyard yields were slightly lower than average, leading to intense color and round, textured tannins.

### FERMENTATION & MATURATION

Upon harvesting, grapes are transported directly to the winery for gentle manipulation before transferring to stainless steel tanks for fermentation. Rigorous pumping over (rumatage) early in the wine's life extracts color and bold fruit flavors.

The young wine is removed from the skins, settled, and moved to small barrels for aging. Wines are racked and aerated throughout the eighteen months of barrel maturation to mold the mouthfeel and create round and supple tannins.

For the 2019 TEXTBOOK Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, we incorporated 10% Merlot into the blend to add softness, luscious aromatics, and bright acidity to the mid-palate. Around 2.5% each of Petite Verdot and Cabernet Franc adds the tiniest element of spice to the wine. It is such a small amount that the effect is modest, but it adds delicious complexity.

REGION: 100% Napa Valley

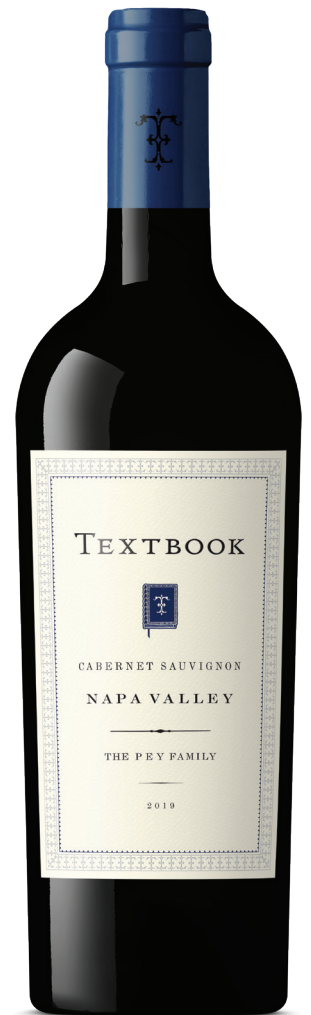
GRAPES: 85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot,

2.5% Petite Verdot, and 2.5% Cabernet Franc

OAK: 90% French (35% New) 10% American

AGING: 18 months

PH: 3.76 ABV: 13.8%



*Opens with dark fruit aromatics of black currant and plum. Ample oak flavors are layered and sumptuous across the mid-palate. The finish is structured and balanced with big supple tannins—the classic Napa Valley 'Textbook' style of Cabernet Sauvignon.*

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