

# HAWKES



## 2018 ALEXANDER VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

100% ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON, Hawkes Pyramid, Red Winery, and Stone Vineyards

ALEXANDER VALLEY, SONOMA COUNTY

VINES 19-30 YEARS OLD

SOIL: SONOMA VOLCANICS & FRANCISCAN

48 HR COLD SOAK / 40 DAYS ON SKINS

22 MONTHS IN BARREL: 100% FRENCH OAK; 30% NEW OAK

HARVEST DATES: '10/17,10/18,10/22

1100 CASES PRODUCED

The 2018 Alexander Valley Estate is a ripe, robust edition of our flagship. It is, as ever, one hundred percent Cabernet Sauvignon blended from all three of our estate vineyards. Fruit from our mountain vineyard, named Pyramid, makes up more than half the blend with the balance close to evenly split between our other two ranches -Red Winery and Stone. The nose on the 2018 shows black cherry, cassis, fig, and chocolate. But all that ripe fruit bellies a decided tannic palate and grippy, dry finish. The tannin reminds me of a good year in Bordeaux, the fruit reminds me of a good year in Alexander Valley.



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