

## Quintessa 2019 | Recognition



## **VINTAGE NOTES**

The 2019 vintage began with well-timed rains, providing a graceful start to the season. More than 35 inches through the winter months and into early spring established healthy soils and lush cover crops leading to even shoot growth and strong early-season canopy for the vines. Spring temperatures remained cool through May. The cooler weather slowed the emergence of bloom on the vine by 13 days compared to the estate's five-year average. The slight delay allowed for an ideal fruit-set, and ultimately healthy yields for Quintessa. Temperatures warmed slightly in summer, encouraging an even arc of ripening while maintaining vibrant acidity. The season gave us a well-placed and steady harvest period. We began to bring in fruit on September 19<sup>th</sup> and finished October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

"This is a winemaker's master class in blending and understanding of a longstanding site. Dried herb, cedar and pencil shavings accent lifted red fruit and brilliant acidity on the palate, with a supple yet still youthful grippy texture that is framed by structured, graceful tannins." – Wine Enthusiast

## 100 points WINE ENTHUSIAST, June 2022

99 points james suckling

97 points **JEB DUNNUCK**