



THE PACT

COOMBSVILLE, NAPA VALLEY — 2018 VINTAGE

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Every year, Mother Nature makes the rules, and our vineyard and winemaking teams adjust as needed. Then a vintage like 2018 comes along, and no adjustments are necessary. We simply follow the course. The weather was so cooperative that we were able to pick individual blocks on specific days. Such precision is rare — and never taken for granted — and we feel 2018 will soon take its place among Napa Valley's Cabernet benchmarks.

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The Coombsville AVA is Napa Valley's southernmost growing region for Cabernet Sauvignon, and our estate was among its first vineyards planted in 1998. Nestled into the rocky ruins of an ancient caldera, volcanic soils and marine breezes from the nearby San Pablo Bay combine to offer polish and structure alongside consistent Napa ripeness. It is a special corner of Napa that allows us to fully express the land as we continue to pursue our craft of perfecting a modern classic.

WINEMAKING NOTES

The Pact is 100% Cabernet Sauvignon from the highest-elevation blocks of our Coombsville vineyard, and harvest lots are treated as separate, small-batch parcels in the cellar. The 2018 opens with fresh aromas of black cherries, black currants and blue fruits with graphite, tobacco, star anise and cocoa powder notes rounding out the finish. The Pact is defined by minerality and purity, and its fine-grained tannins and natural acidity ensures that it will last for decades.

THE ACCOLADES

"This is really something, showing focus and purity that highlights the unique character of this appellation. So much blue fruit, lavender and walnut with some herbal and sweet-tobacco undertones. It's full-bodied, yet tight and poised. Lovely quality to the tannins. Exceptional." 96 POINTS — JAMES SUCKLING