

# 2019 CABERNET SAUVIGNON ELSE'S RESERVE

# **Tasting Notes**

Our 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon is a classic Lake County Cab with a nose of fruit and berries and a hint of leather. On the palate you get black berries and baking spices with a touch of dark chocolate. Smooth tannins round out this full-bodied wine.

# Vineyard

The wine was crafted from Else's Vineyard. This vineyard site is located at the foot of Asbill Valley on a north-facing slope, making it the coolest site on the ranch. It is also the last site we harvest each year. The slow pace of maturity and the limited sun exposure of this site lend the wine its darker flavors and dense tannin structure. We use a no-till approach to managing the vineyard floor with the goal of minimal input. Sheep graze in the vineyards helping us compost the permanent cover crop.

# Winemaking

The fruit was hand-sorted before the berries were gently crushed prior to cold-soaking for four days at 60° F. The must fermented for 12 days with pump-overs twice a day. Following the alcoholic fermentation, the wine was aged in French oak barrels, 40% new, for 24 months. Malolactic fermentation took place in the barrels. The wine was lightly filtered before bottling.

### Wine and Food Pairing

Pairs well with Six Sigma Grass-Fed Beef Bourguignon, and aged cheeses. Try it with a steak Diane in front of a cozy fire.

#### **Technical Notes**

| Release Date | November 2022                                       |
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| Blend        | 100% Cabernet Sauvignon                             |
| Appellation  | 100% Lake County, grown entirely at Six Sigma Ranch |
| Alcohol      | 14.2%   |
| Aging        | 24 months in French oak barrels, 40% new            |
| Production   | 300 cases   |