

# MARK HEROLD WINES



## 2019 HEROLD "OAKVILLE" CABERNET SAUVIGNON

OAKVILLE RANCH, NAPA VALLEY

### TASTING NOTES

The 2019 Oakville meets the glass with an opaque, jewel toned purple. The bouquet is immediately heady and decadent, revealing layers upon layers of aromatics with notes of black raspberries, fresh black currants, black cherries, graphite, violets, sagebrush and dark chocolate. A little time in the glass reveals a bounty of crushed rock, espresso bean, lavender and mountain chaparral. With time in the glass, the wine continues to reveal itself in rewarding ways. The palate is a bounty of purple and black fruits with hints of black licorice alongside mouth-watering minerality. There is an interplay of firm tannins and acidity that result in a delicious expression of east Oakville hillside. Decant when enjoying in its youth. There is an ethereal, restrained opulence to this wine that is a hallmark for tremendous aging potential.

### VINTAGE NOTES

This nearly perfect growing season started off with a wet winter and a long warm summer with very few heat events, resulting in foggy mornings and set the stage for producing vibrant, expressive wines. The finish of the season was long and relatively mild, which facilitated long hang times and produced wines with finesse and freshness.

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**VINEYARD**  
OAKVILLE RANCH, NAPA VALLEY

**ALCOHOL**  
16.1%

**VARIETAL**  
CABERNET SAUVIGNON

**PRODUCTION**  
80 CASES

**AGING**  
20 MONTHS,  
80% NEW FRENCH OAK

**RELEASE DATE**  
SEPTEMBER 2022

**SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE**  
\$225

"The 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Ranch wraps around the palate with serious intensity and depth. Inky dark fruit, licorice, menthol, lavender and spice build, with the bright acids of this site lending brightness to balance things out. There is nothing subtle about the 2019. Readers will find a full-throttle, opulent wine that captures the personality of this Oakville site." **95 PTS** —*Antonio Galloni*

