



# PARALLEL NAPA VALLEY

## 2018 NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

### PHILIPPE MELKA WINEMAKER TASTING NOTES

"THE 2018 PARALELL CABERNET HAS POWERFUL AROMATICS IMBUED WITH A GREAT DEAL OF ENERGY. EXPLOSIVE AROMAS OF HOLIDAY SPICES, CARDAMON, COFFEE BEANS AND BLACK CURRANT. THE PALATE IS FULL-BODIED, VERY REFINED WITH PRESENT TANNINS FRONT TO BACK GIVING THE WINE A VERY SILKY TEXTURE AND LAYERS OF COMPLEXITY. IT SHOWS DARK PLUMS, CRANBERRIES, AND CHERRIES WITH A BEAUTIFUL TENSION BETWEEN RED AND BLACK FRUITS, A SAVORY NOTE AND EXCELLENT ACIDITY MAKING THE FINISH SUPER BALANCED AND LONG. 2018 IS A GREAT VINTAGE IN NAPA VALLEY AND THIS WINE IS A GREAT EXAMPLE ALREADY. THE WINE IS DRINKING VERY WELL NOW AND WILL IMPROVE OVER THE NEXT 10+ YEARS."

### 93POINTS- WINE ADVOCATE

"THE 2018 CABERNET SAUVIGNON HAS A DEEP GARNET-PURPLE COLOR AND INTENSE NOTES OF CRUSHED BLACK CURRANTS, BLACK CHERRIES AND MULBERRIES WITH NUANCES OF BAKER'S CHOCOLATE, LICORICE, CEDAR CHEST AND PENCIL WITH A WAFT OF WILD SAGE. THE FULL-BODIED PALATE OFFERS A DECADENT ARRAY OF BLACK FRUIT AND SAVORY LAYERS, SUPPORTED BY FIRM GRAINY TANNINS AND PLENTY OF FRESHNESS, FINISHING ON A LINGERING MINERAL NOTE. DRINK DATE 2022-2038."

### 91POINTS - JAMES SUCKLING

Vintage: 2018  
Varietal: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon  
AVA: Napa Valley  
Harvest Date: October 12-13, 2018  
Alcohol: 15.9%  
pH: 3.75  
Brix: 25.9

Fermentation: 24 days in stainless steel  
Aging: 100% French Oak;  
40% New French Oak  
Bottling Date: June 25-26, 2020  
Production: 445 cases

