



# TRUCHARD VINEYARDS

## 2019 “CAVE BLOCK” CABERNET SAUVIGNON



**Vintage:** 2019 is very similar to the near-perfect 2018 vintage. A cold winter with average rainfall made for a late bud-break. Ideal spring weather allowed for nice berry set and above average yields. Mild conditions throughout summer and fall allowed the fruit to slowly ripen and develop maximum flavor. The wines of 2019 are bold and intense, with nice structure.

**Vineyard:** The Truchard Estate Vineyard is located in the Carneros region of the Napa Valley. It is 400 acres of hills and valleys which contain a variety of soils: clay, shale, sandstone, limestone, volcanic ash and rock. The combination of terrain, geology, and marine-moderated temperatures provides ideal conditions for wine-growing. In 2009, 2 acres of Clone 169 Cabernet Sauvignon were planted above the Truchard Vineyards wine cave. These vines grow in light clay soils and produce a distinct wine that has unique floral aromas and lush flavors of plum, berry, and spice.

**Harvest:** October 23 • 24.5 °Brix • 3.50 pH • 6.6 g/L TA

**Winemaking:** All of the fruit was gently destemmed and crushed, then inoculated with Pasteur Red yeast. The fermentation was pumped-over twice daily, with the temperature peaking at 88° F. The wine was aged for 20 months in French oak barrels (45% new). This wine is 100% Cabernet Sauvignon. It is drinkable now, but will continue to develop over the next 10-12 years.

**Wine Analysis:** 14.2% alcohol • 3.62 pH • 6.0 g/l TA

**Tasting Notes:** A beautiful nose of ripe cherry, raspberry, and plum with hints of cedar and vanilla. The mouth is layered with bright flavors of cassis, berry jam, and red currants. Round tannins focus the palate and provide a lengthy finish of spice and red fruit.

**Release Date:** March 1, 2022

**Cases Produced:** 168 cases

