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Heitz Cellar

NAPA VALLEY

2018 MARTHA'S VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Hidden in the shadows of the Mayacamas mountains on the alluvial fan of western Oakville, Martha's Vineyard continues to embody the pedigree of being named the first single vineyard-designated wine in Napa Valley. Farmed and vinified exclusively by Heitz Cellar over the last 50 years, Martha's Vineyard continues to set the standard for classic, ageworthy Cabernet Sauvignon from the Napa Valley.

VINTAGE NOTES

Plentiful rain in late winter was followed by a moderate spring, resulting in a later budbreak and flowering, but ideal weather in May provided a generous and even fruit set. The summer of 2018 brought idyllic growing conditions with perfect temperatures during the day, followed by a strong marine influence from the San Pablo Bay with very cool temperatures at night. This combination maintained perfect acidity levels in the fruit while also allowing us to hang the fruit for longer and a later start to harvest. This resulted in wines with incredible concentration, depth of flavor, and freshness. The quality of wine from this vintage is something we are lucky to see once in a decade and we look forward to watching these wines evolve for decades to come.

TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Vineyard Details

Size: 32 Acres | **Vine Age:** 26-28 years

Clones: Field Selection from original planting | **Soil:** Coombs gravelly loam, Bale clay loam, Perkins gravelly loam

Elevation: 170-190' | **Training Method:** Cane pruned Geneva Double Curtain

Cultivation (as of Jan 2022)

Certified CCOF organic,
Biodynamic practices

Varietal Composition & AVA

100% Cabernet Sauvignon |
Oakville AVA

Aging Regimen

Aged for four years in combination oak casks, used and new French oak barrels, ranging from 228 to 12,000L, followed by one year of bottle aging before release.

Coopers: Mercier, Bordelaise, Marchive

Pack Size

6/750ml

Alcohol

14%

