

STONY HILL

2018

Cabernet Sauvignon



In 1943, Fred McCrea and his wife, Eleanor, stumbled onto a 168-acre plot of land hidden away on the slopes of Spring Mountain, which they purchased and later named Stony Hill Vineyard. With their love for French white wines combined with the ideal growing conditions of their property, the McCreas built the first post-prohibition winery in 1951 and released their inaugural vintage the following year. Stony Hill's terroir and climate mirrored that of Burgundy, made of volcanic mountain soil with a limestone sub-layer and a northeast-facing hillside, making it perfect to craft their preferred style of Chardonnay. Some would later refer to Stony Hill as "America's greatest white wine estate."

In 2020 the Lawrence Family became the next family to own the historic estate. Under the watchful eye of managing partner, Carlton McCoy Jr., Stony Hill has taken careful steps to preserve its legacy in the Napa Valley, keeping the integrity of the land and winemaking style intact. The estate vineyards continue to be farmed organically and focus on sustainable vineyard cultivation, while careful attention is put forth to honor the past and embrace the future of Stony Hill.

TASTING NOTES

2018 produced an unforgettable Cabernet Sauvignon for us. Even in its youth, the wine carries bold floral qualities from violets and sandalwood, as well as rich fruit traits of Bing cherry and huckleberry. This wine sits forward on the palate and exhibits a full mouthfeel with crunchy mountain and oak tannins. While the berries' essence shines through, you are left with a fresh-cut leather finish. Incredible now and will age beautifully for years to come.

APPELLATION	Napa Valley, Spring Mountain District
VARIETAL	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
AGE OF VINES	14 years
BARREL AGEING	New and Neutral French Oak
AGEING	18 months
TOTAL ACIDITY	5.5 g/L
RESIDUAL SUGAR	0.7 g/L
PH	3.75
ALCOHOL	14.1%
AGING POTENTIAL	10+ years