

BURGESS

2018 CONTADINA CABERNET SAUVIGNON

NAPA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA



VINEYARD SOURCE

SORENSEN VINEYARD: CABERNET SAUVIGNON

First planted in 1872 by Swiss-Italian immigrants, Sorenson Vineyard has served as the beating heart of Burgess for more than 150 years. Climbing 800-1000 feet above sea level, this vineyard is carved into the western-facing slopes of Howell Mountain, overlooking the Napa Valley below. The landscape is dotted with large boulders on the “Konocti Series Volcanics” soil, a very densely compacted volcanic ash, as pines and redwoods surround the vineyard, becoming immersed in morning fog during the harvest months.

HAYMAKER VINEYARD: PETIT VERDOT AND MALBEC

Acquired by Burgess Cellar in 1987, Haymaker Vineyard sits on the opposite side of Howell Mountain facing east, with a slope averaging 20%. Its soil composition mirrors the Sorenson Vineyard, with bands of uplifted marine sediments.

TASTING NOTES

A structured and elegant Cabernet Sauvignon with aromas and flavors of blackberry and ripe black currants. The lush fruit is brought into balance by high tone herbal aromatics of mint, sage, and sweet tobacco. The distinctively thick-skinned Cabernet grapes provide a long, velvety finish.

TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

90% Cabernet Sauvignon
6% Petit Verdot
4% Malbec

ALCOHOL

14.5%

AGING REGIMEN

Aged 22 months in 15% new French oak
barrique, 85% neutral French oak barrique

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