

# BURGESS

## 2019 ALPINIST RED BLEND

NAPA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA



A red wine blend inspired by the historic cuvées of Bordeaux where Cabernet Sauvignon from the Médoc was blended with Syrah from the legendary hill of Hermitage. The name, Alpinist, is a nod to the Swiss-Italian ancestors who first planted the hillside where these grapes are grown.

### VINTAGE INFORMATION

The beginning of the 2019 growing season was defined by copious rainfall and late soil moisture. The long, warm summer saw very few extreme heat events, with foggy mornings setting the stage for vibrant and expressive wines. The long, relatively mild finish to the season, not without its moments of unpredictability, helped to preserve freshness and finesse in the fruit with abundant hang time teasing out great color, structure and soft tannins. Volume is looking to be about average to a little less than average. All in all, exceptional fruit with bright acidity and ample texture promises an amazing vintage.

### TASTING NOTES

In the tradition of our Swiss-Italian predecessors, we have crafted a flavorful cuvée of red grapes from the steep volcanic slopes of our Sorenson Vineyard perched high above the Napa Valley. Originally planted with vines in the 19th century, our estate vineyard yields fruit that offers a provocative harmony of aromas, flavors, and texture. The 2019 vintage brought impeccable balance to the wines of Burgess, and the Alpinist is no exception. Fresh and vibrant black and red fruit flavors take center stage behind a curtain of olive and peppercorn aromas, making this wine a veritable match for any dinner table.

### PAIRING NOTES

A perfect accompaniment to beef, pork and lamb dishes. This wine will complement savory dishes that feature bacon or include peppercorn or olives.

### TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

VARIETAL COMPOSITION	AVA	PACK SIZE
Red blend from Sorenson's Vineyard	Napa Valley	12/750ml
AGING REGIMEN	ALCOHOL	
Aged 28 months in 30% new French oak barrique, 70% neutral French oak barrique	14.3%	