



## 2019 RUTHERFORD ESTATE VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON

St. Supéry Estate Vineyards and Winery is a 100% Estate Grown, sustainably farmed winery located in the renowned Rutherford growing region in the heart of Napa Valley. The vineyard sits on the “Rutherford Bench” of mineral-rich alluvial and well-drained soils allowing the grapevine’s root systems to mine for nutrients and water, yielding complex and concentrated flavors. Committed to producing the highest quality estate wines without compromise, we focus on sustainable winery and farming operations to protect the land and environment for future generations.

**WINEMAKER'S NOTES** Deep hues of purple and red reflect the density of this wine. Aromas of dark blackberry, sun dried figs, and plum are met with nuances of graphite, mocha and black olive. Juicy blackberry and black currant dominate the palate with notes of anise and charred oak in the background. This is a centered wine with a tremendous, velvety tannin and a cocoa powder texture.

**VINTAGE 2019** In 2019, we experienced a very wet winter and spring, capturing 41 inches of rain at Rutherford. A mild spring with one late-May rainfall resulted in damp soils and healthy canopy growth. Other than one mid-June heat spell, summer was warm and dry, allowing for consistent and balanced ripening. Late summer and early fall continued to provide steady warmth. As evenings began to cool, the fall growing season was extended. October became quite cold, early. It was a good even ripening season with a mild summer resulting in excellent wine of great flavor and density.

**WINEMAKING** The fruit was hand harvested in the cool morning hours and brought to the winery in half-ton bins. At the winery, the clusters were sorted using a double sorting system. First, the clusters were sorted by hand. The fruit then ran through a small destemmer that removed stems from the grapes before the individual berries were sorted to ensure that the ideal grapes were chosen. These berries were delivered to a fermenter where there was a period of resting on skins. Warm fermentation temperatures were encouraged along with gentle cap maceration to achieve the desired color and structure for the wine before an extended maceration time on skins prior final pressing. The wine was transferred directly to barrel for 19 months of maturation.

Nine percent of the sorted berries in this blend were fermented in small French wood tanks, nine percent were fermented in small concrete tanks, and twenty four percent were fermented in new French oak barrels, all to add layers of complexity to the wine.

**APPELLATION**  
Rutherford, Napa Valley

**VINEYARD**  
Rutherford Estate Vineyard

**VARIETY/BLEND**  
82% Cabernet Sauvignon  
15% Merlot  
3% Petit Verdot

**OAK MATURATION**  
100% French oak (88% new)  
for 19 months

**PH**  
3.60

**T. ACIDITY**  
6.4 g/L

**ALCOHOL**  
14.5%

**HARVEST DATES**  
October 2-11, 2019

**BOTTLING DATE**  
August 17, 2021



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