



2018 DOLLARHIDE ESTATE VINEYARD ELEVATION 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. Dollarhide Ranch is a 1,530+ acre property with steep, rolling hills, some flat lands, seven lakes and a vast array of wildlife located in the northeastern hills of Napa Valley. With elevations ranging from 600 – 1,100 feet, we have over 500 acres planted to grapevines, leaving the rest of the property to thrive in its natural state.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES Aromas of blackberry, cassis, black pepper and subtle vanillin oak present this wine. Flavors of blackberry, plump black plum, cocoa and a thread of raspberry with anise integrate with the toasty oak profile. This is a structured Cabernet Sauvignon with fine grain texture. Enjoy!

VINTAGE 2018 The 2018 growing season started with a relatively mild winter and spring. There was some decent rain in early and mid-January, almost none in February, and a fair amount in March and April which filled up our lakes and kicked off the growing season. With a warm July, markedly cooler temperatures in August with no heat spikes, the weather remained ideal through September and October. There was a little rain in early October, but warm weather and dry breezes followed, allowing the grapes to hang on the vines longer and further develop their flavors. Harvest continued through November because of the ideal weather enabling the fruit to stay on the vine with no pressure from Mother Nature. The quality of the fruit was terrific, and the resulting wines show tremendous promise.

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 being 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 to final pressing. The wine was transferred directly to barrel for 20 months of maturation.

Nineteen percent of the sorted berries used in this blend were fermented in French oak barrels. Thirteen percent of the sorted berries were fermented in concrete. Both add layers of complexity to the blend.

APPELLATION

Napa Valley

OAK MATURATION

100% French oak (52% new) for 20 months

ALCOHOL

14.5%

VINEYARD

Dollarhide Estate Vineyard

PH

3.67

HARVEST DATES

October 1, 16, 18, 20, 24-25 and November 1, 2018

VARIETY/BLEND

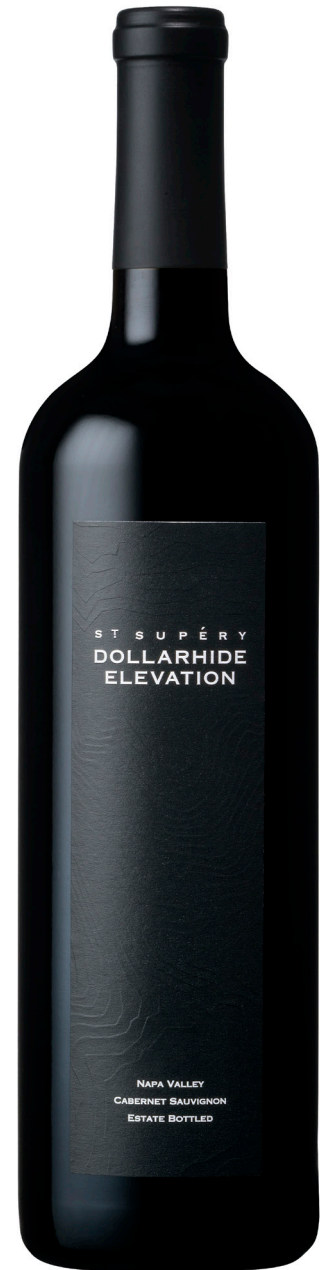
96% Cabernet Sauvignon
4% Malbec

T. ACIDITY

6.6 g/L

BOTTLING DATE

June 22, 2020



ESTATE GROWN + SUSTAINABLY FARMED

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