

NAPA  VALLEY

Raymond



2019 SALON PRIVÉ NAPA VALLEY RED WINE

IN THE VINEYARD

The grapes for the 2019 Salon Privé are a blend of two vineyards; Half of the Cabernet Sauvignon comes from the western hills of Napa, just above the Rutherford appellation at around 1100 ft in elevation on Millsholm soils which are sandstone and shale based. The other half, as well as the Cabernet Franc, comes from Howell Mountain at around 1800 ft elevation on Boomer soils which are weathered from metavolcanic and igneous rocks.

VINTAGE NOTES

Heavy spring rains enriched the soils and delayed bud break by a few weeks. A heat spike in June, followed by warm weather, brought even veraison throughout the vineyards. A cooling trend and touch of rain in mid-September created ideal conditions for the 2019 harvest which is considered a near-perfect vintage.

WINEMAKER NOTES

The grapes were hand-picked on October 4th and October 11th and went through extended maceration period with an average of 47 days on the skins. The wine was barrel aged for 19 months in 25% new French Oak. It was bottled unfined and unfiltered on July 13, 2021.

TASTING NOTES

The 2019 Salon Privé unveils an alluring bouquet of luscious boysenberry, juicy plum, and fragrant candied violets. Velvety marionberry and dark cocoa nibs unfold across the mid-palate, adding depth to this sumptuously layered red blend. Harmoniously structured with refined tannins, the finish is prolonged and captivating, leaving an enduring impression.

TECHNICAL NOTES

APPELLATION: Napa Valley Varietal:
98% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% Cabernet Franc

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

PH: 3.72

TA: 5.7 g/L

AGING: 19 months in 100% French Oak,
25% new

HARVEST DATES: October 4 & October 11, 2019

PRODUCTION: 49 cases

VEGAN