



# MIDNIGHT

C E L L A R S

2018

CABERNET  
FRANC

"MOONLIGHT"

PASO ROBLES  
CALIFORNIA

## TASTING NOTES

Cabernet Franc is known for being the most feminine style grape of the "Bordeaux five" varieties. It is the most elegant and subtle of the bunch and our offering is no exception. It has a beautiful garnet color with the nose of strawberries, fresh cut flowers, and vanilla. Medium-full body with flavors of raspberry, minerals, and baking spices that mingle through. The finish is refined with gentle interactions between the tannins and the acidity.

<b>WINEMAKER</b>	Rich Hartenberger
<b>VARIETAL COMPOSITION</b>	100% Cabernet Franc
<b>COOPERAGE</b>	100% French oak, 33% new French oak
<b>BARREL AGING</b>	30 months
<b>pH/ TA</b>	3.57/0.59
<b>RESIDUAL SUGAR</b>	0.07%
<b>ABV</b>	14.5%
<b>PRODUCTION</b>	135 cases

## VINTAGE NOTES

The 2018 vintage saw an almost ideal balance of vine health and stress, as is often the case with the first dry year after a very wet one. The rain came late, delaying the onset of budbreak and the beginning of the growing season. The cool weather continued most of the year, punctuated by a six-week heat wave in July and early August. Temperatures moderated before picking began and harvest proceeded under slightly cooler than normal conditions, producing fruit with intense flavors and balanced acidity.



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