

TASTING NOTES

Wow, what a wine! The color is so dark it's almost black. First whiff off the nose lets you know you're in for a treat. Giant amounts of ripe black and red fruit, spice, leather, and earth. The mouthfeel is amazing with a complex array of blackberry, plum, anise, and cinnamon. The finish goes on forever. Drink now through 2040.

ACCOLADES	93 Wine Enthusiast
WINEMAKER	Rich Hartenberger
VARIETAL COMPOSITION	60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Merlot, 10% Malbec, 10% Petit Vedot, 5% Cabernet Franc
COOPERAGE	50% new French oak, 50% neutral
BARREL AGING	30 months
_Р Н / ТА	3.44 / 0.64 g/L
RESIDUAL SUGAR	0.05%
ABV	15.2%
PRODUCTION	149

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. 2018 MARE NECTARIS RESERVE

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