

# DUCKHORN

VINEYARDS

## 2019 THE DISCUSSION NAPA VALLEY RED WINE

Almost four decades ago, before crafting their first vintage, the Duckhorns and their winemaker had a passionate discussion at the kitchen table. Though they debated making a cuvée, they chose to focus on varietal wines. Even so, Duckhorn Vineyards has always remained fascinated by the artful blend of varietals from diverse Napa Valley vineyards. Embodying the depth and complexity of a world-class Estate program, The Discussion represents the pinnacle of the Duckhorn Vineyards portfolio and the ongoing dialogue that defines great winemaking.

### VINTAGE NOTES

2019 brought another exceptional vintage to Napa Valley, resulting in wines with alluring polish and poise! The season began with a wet winter followed by a mild spring. While this led to a slightly later-than-normal start to the season, ideal summer weather with no significant heat spikes ensured ideal flavor development, yielding complex and vibrant whites, and refined reds with elegant tannins, enticing aromatics and beautiful fruit flavors.

### WINEMAKING NOTES

The exceptional 2019 growing season yielded a profoundly elegant and complex expression of The Discussion, with luxurious layers of black plum, red currant and raspberry. As it evolves in the glass, hints of cedar, sweet baking spices and cocoa nibs emerge on the generous palate, gliding across velvety tannins to a lively and dramatic finish.

### WINEMAKING

APPELLATION	Napa Valley
VINEYARD	25% Rector Creek Vineyard, 22% Monitor Ledge Vineyard, 21% Patzimarro Vineyard, 17% Stout Vineyard, 13% Three Palms Vineyard, 2% Cork Tree Vineyard
VARIETAL COMPOSITION	67% Cabernet Sauvignon, 31% Merlot, 1% Malbec, 1% Cabernet Franc
FERMENTATION & AGING	Aged a total of 24 months in barrel 18 months in new French oak followed by 6 months in neutral barrels
ALCOHOL	14.5%
pH	3.68
ACIDITY	0.56 g/100 ml



### THE DUCKHORN PORTFOLIO



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