

2018 Estate Grown Red Wine Napa Valley



93⁺ points

Wine Advocate

92 points

91 points

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THE INSPIRATION

Dedicated to the life and work of Laurie's late husband, Tom Shelton. Tom was a steward of the Napa Valley and all of its components, be it the land, the water, the appellations, and especially the relationship wine creates for friends and family.

THE VINEYARD

Located in front and around the "Trail House", as it is lovingly called by family and friends, CAMi Vineyards consists of two acres of Estate vineyards growing one half mile south of Larkmead Lane off the west side of the Silverado Trail. Purchased in 1999, CAMi Vineyards borders Selby Creek and Larkmead Vineyards to the West. This valley floor fruit grows the Three Palms Clone Merlot planted in 1996 on St. George root stock and 337 Clone Cabernet Sauvignon planted in 2006. The CAMi Merlot is black and full-bodied, while the CAMi Cabernet Sauvignon contributes a long, silky finish. Together, these vineyards deliver a complex and exciting wine.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2018 growing season was a stellar year for the Napa Valley. A longer growing season combined with cooler temperatures allowed for even ripening in the vineyard and harvest dates later into the fall leading to better maturity and overall grape quality. The 2018 is a cellar worthy collectible wine to be enjoyed for years to come.

WINEMAKER NOTES

The 2018 vintage marks the sixth vintage of CAMi Vineyards. A blend of 52% Merlot and 48% Cabernet Sauvignon, our 2018 Red Blend displays impressive Merlot aromatics on the nose and Cabernet Sauvignon on the palate. Dense, powerful and full-bodied with a touch of spice and a well-integrated hint of oak from barrel aging twenty months in 100% French Oak. A decadent wine that will cellar beautifully and will continue to evolve. Ample fruit and polished tannins complete this elegant wine.

BLEND: 52% Merlot, 48% Cabernet Sauvignon

AVA: Napa Valley

AGING: French oak barrels, unfined and unfiltered

ALCOHOL: 14.8%

PRODUCTION: 117 cases